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The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of NEBRASKA

of the

United Lutheran Church in America

The 71st Annual Convention

May 10, 1943

Held in The First Lutheran Church

North Platte, Nebraska

The Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, Pastor

The Lutheran Brotherhood

The 26th Annual Convention

May 10, 11, 12, 1943

DIRECTORY

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President (1943-1946) Rev. J. C. Hershey, D. D., 1138 N. Broad, Fremont.
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STANDING COMMITTEES

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Rev. W. H. Traub, D. D., LL. D., 2602 Farnam, Omaha.....1941-1944
Mr. W. A. Heuer, Bellevue Blvd., Rt. 5, Omaha 1941-1944
Mr. Walter Kuenning, Auburn 1942-1945
Rev. W. A. Klink, D. D., West Point 1943-1946
Mr. Don Thomas, Columbus 1943-1946

Examining

~~Rev. W. A. Klink, D. D. 1941-44~~ Rev. A. O. Frank, D. D., 1942-45
~~Rev. W. S. Livers.....1941-44~~ Rev. W. W. Alexander 1942-45
~~Rev. H. C. Cordts.....1941-44~~ Rev. C. J. Naugle 1943-46
Rev. J. B. Rupley Sr.....1943-46

Ministerial Education

Rev. G. Gieschen Rev. H. Dumler Rev. W. C. Heidenreich
Rev. R. V. Davis Rev. H. Joens

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Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, D.D., Ph.D. Mr. Otto Nelson
Mr. S. A. Wassum ~~Rev. Ted Frank~~

New Congregations and Pastoral Charges

~~Rev. J. C. Miller.....1941-44~~ Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D.D. 1942-45
Rev. W. W. Alexander 1943-46

Parish Life and Work

Rev. W. W. Alexander, (Chairman), Rev. H. J. Goede (Church School), Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D.D., (Women of the Church), Rev. A. H. Pinkall, (Men of the Church), Rev. W. S. Livers, (Youth of the Church), Rev. Paul Wiegman, (Children of the Church).

Protocol

~~Rev. A. L. Mendenhall~~ ~~Rev. M. P. Sinks~~ Rev. Paul de Freese
~~Rev. H. M. Henriksen~~ Rev. Paul Wiegman ~~Rev. F. L. Cress~~

Reference and Counsel

Stewardship

~~Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr.~~ Mr. Wm. Kedde Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D.
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Synodical Paper

President of Synod and Conference Presidents

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~~Rev. W. A. Klink, D.D.....1941-44~~ ~~Mr. A. T. Yost.....1941-44~~
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Adjudication

Rev. W. H. Traub, D.D., LL.D. Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, D.D., Ph.D.
~~Mr. Herbert Fischer~~ Wellensiek

Church Music

Rev. G. Gieschen Rev. W. F. Most Rev. H. J. Goede

Election Chairman

~~Rev. K. Gigstad~~ Harry Mumm

Social Missions

Rev. A. O. Frank, D.D. Rev. R. V. Davis ~~Rev. H. Henriksen~~ W F W Most
Rev. F. W. Henkel ~~Mr. Wm. Tegtmeyer~~ Mr. O. L. Sturtevant
Harry Bunge

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Rev. H. Dumler Rev. W. C. Heidenreich Rev. H. J. Goede Thomas Lipps
Rev. J. B. Rupley Jr. ~~Mr. John Wollmer~~ - Hooper

Merger Committee

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Ministerial Pensions

~~Rev. G. N. Mendenhall, D.D., Ph.D.~~ Rev. C. B. Harman, D.D. chairman
Rev. E. C. Mortensen Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D.D. - Klink

Students in Non-Lutheran Schools

Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D. ~~Rev. H. Henriksen~~ Rev. F. W. Henkel
Rev. H. J. Goede ~~Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt~~

Promoting Subscriptions to 'The Lutheran'

~~Rev. H. Jones~~ Harry Mumm

Reporter to 'The Lutheran'

Rev. A. O. Frank, D.D.

Midland Assembly

Presidents of Synod, Women's Missionary Society, Lutheran Brotherhood, Luther League of Nebraska, Midland College, and Chairman of Committee on Parish Life and Work, ex-officio.
Rev. E. C. Mortensen and Rev. A. O. Frank, D.D. 1940-43
Rev. W. W. Alexander and Mrs. Oscar Johnston 1941-44
Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant and Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D.D. 1942-45

Committee on Constitution

Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D.D., (Chairman) Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr.
Mr. H. G Wellensiek, Esq. President of Synod ex-officio

Committee on Publications

Rev. A. O. Frank, D.D., (Chairman) Rev. H. Dumler
Rev. C. J. Naugle

CALENDAR FOR 1944

Time and place of Synod to be arranged by Executive Committee. Kounty Memorial, Omaha

Synodical Sermon by the President of Synod.

Ordination Sermon, ~~Rev. W. H. Traub, D.D., LL.D.~~; Alternate, Rev. A. H. Pinkall.

Chaplain, Rev. ~~W. F. Most~~ Rubrecht; Alternate, ~~G. N. Mendenhall~~ Lesher - ~~Ofig~~

Chorister, Rev. G Gieschen } as is. C. J. Naugle
Organist, Rev. H. J. Goede }

ROLL OF SYNOD

	Pastor	Address	Year Ordained	Ent. Synod	Parish	Delegate
•••	1. Alexander, W. W.,	Omaha	1935	1934	St. Mark's, Omaha	Charles H. Pula•••
	2. Baird, V.,	Rising City	1938	1937	First, Rising City	Edward Dechert
•	3. Baltzly, O.D., Ph.D., D.D., LL.D.,	2602 Farnam, Omaha	1896	1911	Pastor Emeritus, Kountze Memorial, Omaha	
	4. Berheńke, C. H.,	2544 N. 61, Omaha	1935	1935	First, Omaha	Paul Fry•
	5. Cordts, H. C.,	304 W. 20th, Falls City	1926	1925	St. Paul's, Falls City	L. A. Meinzer••
	6. Cress, F. L.,	Allen	1928	1936	First, Allen	Clarence Larsen•
	7. Davis, R. V.,	Scribner	1930	1929	United, Scribner	Fred Marx••
					Emmanuel, Snyder	Amos Musback••
•	8. Daubenspeck, W. M.,		1929	1929	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
•••	9. de Freese, P.,	Hooper	1943	1942	Grace, Hooper	John Wollmer•••
••	10. Delo, F. S.,	1024 S. 9 St., Lincoln	1894	1938	Retired	
•	11. Dorner, E. A.,		1929	1929	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
	12. Dumler, H.,	Davenport	1926	1925	Christ's, Davenport	Henry Koinzan
	13. Estrada, D.,	So. America	1931	1931	Missionary	
	14. Frank, A. O., D.D.,	325 E. 10th, Fremont	1923	1940	Salem, Fremont	Edward Sievers
•	15. Frederick, P. W. H., D.D., Ph.D.,	1653 N. Colson, Fremont	1900	1931	Professor at Western Seminary	
•	16. Frederick, S.,		1937	1937	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
•	17. Gieschen, G.,	Omaha	1922	1934	Redeemer, Omaha	L. W. Johnson
	18. Gigstad, K.,	Hampton	1941	1940	Emmanuel, Hampton	Alvin Larsen•
	19. Goede, H. J.,	1310 S. 26, Omaha	1930	1938	Grace, Omaha	H. Frerichs•
••	20. Guss, W. I., D.D.,	127 N. 40, Omaha	1899	1919	Retired	
	21. Harman, C. B., D.D.,	225 E. Ashton, Grand Island	1900	1909	Retired	
•	22. Haugse, E. N.,		1935	1935	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
•	23. Hartwig, G. H.,	Fremont	1901	1941	Professor at Midland College	
	24. Heidenreich, W. C.,	Oshkosh	1906	1928	St. Mark's, Oshkosh	
					Grace, Lewellen	
	25. Henkel, F. W.,	Auburn	1926	1938	St. Paul's, Auburn	
	26. Henriksen, H. M.,	Wayne	1935	1935	St. Paul's, Wayne	Albert Bastian••
	27. Hershey, J. C.,	D.D., 1138 N. Broad, Fremont	1917	1917	President of Synod	
•••	28. Joens, H.,	Dakota City	1929	1929	Salem, Dakota City	M. G. Leamer•••
•	29. Kahse, W. T.,	D.D., P. O. Box 123, Sidney	1905	1912	Trinity, Sidney	
	30. Klink, W. A.,	D.D., West Point	1917	1917	Grace, West Point	A. J. Manser
••	31. Leamer, J. S.,	D.D., 3404 17th, Columbus	1895	1940	Retired	
	32. Lesher, L. H.,	D.D., 847 S. 14, Lincoln	1921	1939	Grace, Lincoln	A. W. Bruse
	33. Livers, W. S.,	Ponca	1932	1932	Salem, Ponca	
•	34. Magalee, P. A.,	British Guiana, So. Am.	1938	1938	Missionary	
	35. Mendenhall, A. L.,	Walton	1937	1936	Grace, Walton	
					Trinity, Eagle	
•	36. Mendenhall, G. N.,	D.D., Ph.D., Sterling, Kans.	1908	1922	Professor	
	37. Miller, J. C.,	Verdon	1915	1928	St. Mark's, Verdon	Wm. Strauss••

				Trinity, Stella	John Caspers**
*38.	Moeller, G. E.	1932	1932	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
39.	Mortensen, E. C., Paxton	1920	1920	Trinity, Paxton	Virgil Eakins**
*40.	Mortensen, G. E.	1920	1920	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
41.	Most, W. F., Omaha	1931	1943	Luther Memorial, Omaha	Otto Nelson
**42.	Motzkus, W.	1913	1940	In secular work	
*43.	Naugle, C. J., 2602 Farnam, Omaha	1938	1938	Ass't at Kountze Memorial	
44.	Pfeiffer, R. R., Emerson	1929	1943	St. Luke's, Emerson	
45.	Pinkall, A. H., 3931 S. 23, Omaha	1930	1930	St. Luke's, Omaha	W. A. Heuer
46.	Rhine, J. S., Gurley	1933	1933	Grace, Gurley	
				Trinity, Dalton	John Schuler
*47.	Rinde, T. D., D.D., 1406 N. Broad, Fremont	1924	1927	Dean of Western Seminary	
*48.	Rohlfing, E. F., British Guiana, So. Am.	1935	1934	Missionary	
49.	Rubrecht, G. K., D.D., 311 W. 5th, North Platte	1905	1928	First, North Platte	E. T. Tramp
50.	Rupley, J. B., Sr., 503 W. 2nd, Grand Island 1391 W 2nd		1941	St. Paul's, Grand Island	H. G. Wellensiek, Esq.
51.	Rupley, J. B., Jr., York	1942	1941	First, York	
				First, McCool Junction	
*52.	Saas, W. H.	1925	1924	Chaplain, U. S. A.	
53.	Schuldt, T. J. C., 406 S 9th, Nebraska City	1936	1936	First, Nebraska City	W. W. Metz, Sr.*
54.	Simon, M. B., Spencer	1937	1936	United, Spencer	
*55.	Traub, W. H., D.D., LL.D., 2602 Farnam, Omaha	1913	1931	Kountze Memorial, Omaha	Wm. Tegtmeyer**
56.	Wiegman, F. C., D.D., Midland College, Fremont	1927	1927	President of Midland College	
57.	Wiegman, P., Tekamah	1940	1940	Emmanuel, Tekamah	Thomas Lipps
				St. John's, Vacoma	P. H. Katt*
*58.	Wood, E. G., Chirala Guntur, India	1929	1929	Missionary	
***59.	Hansen, Clarence, Hardy, (Licentiate)		1943	St. Paul's, Hardy	Jerome Kohl***
****60.	Mumm, Harry, Fremont, Western Seminary (Licentiate)		1943	St. John's, Leigh	Jake Nitz*
***61.	Shiery, John, Fremont, Western Seminary (Licentiate)		1943	Trinity, Beatrice	Ernest Beisner***
62.	Vacant			First, South Sioux	Arthur Johansen***
63.	Vacant, (Reg. supply—Hampton)			Zion, Benedict	Maurice Warner*
64.	Vacant			Messiah, Broadwater	
65.	Vacant, (Reg. supply—Seminary)			United, Columbus	Don Thomas
66.	Vacant, (Reg. supply—with Salem)			Emmanuel, Dakota City	
67.	Vacant			First, Ericson	
68.	Vacant, (Reg. supply—Seminary)			St. Paul's, Hildreth	Edward Vannier**
69.	Vacant, (Reg. supply—Seminary)			St. Paul's, Homer	
				Trinity, Hubbard	
70.	Vacant			Trinity, Stamford	
71.	Vacant, (Reg. supply—Seminary)			First, Wilber	
72.	Vacant, (Supplied by Dr. Harman)			Trinity, Wolbach	
73.	Vacant, (Reg. supply—Paxton)			Grace, Sutherland	

*Absent and Excused
**Absent and Not Excused
***Absent Part Time and Excused
****Absent Part Time and Not Excused

DATES AND PLACES OF THE MEETINGS OF SYNOD

Date	Place	
1871	Omaha	
1872	No Meeting	Absence of Quorum
1873	No Meeting	No meeting appointed
1874	Fontenelle	
1875	Nebraska City	
1876	Omaha	
1877	West Point	
1878	Nebraska City	
1879	Febing	
1880	Ponca	
1881	Tekamah	
1882	Waverly	
1883	Tekamah	
1884	Ponca	
1885	Grand Island	German Church
1886	Auburn	
1887	Beatrice	
1888	Rising City	
1889	Grand Island	English Church
1890	Denver, Colo.	Only meeting out of State
1891	Beatrice	
1892	Ponca	
1893	Lincoln	St. Mark's Church
1894	West Point	
1895	Wayne	
1896	Stella	
1897	Dakota City	Salem Church, near Dakota City
1898	Nebraska City	
1899	Beatrice	
1900	Pawnee City	
1901	West Point	
1902	North Platte	
1903	Benedict	
1904	Ponca	
1905	Wilbur	
1906	Omaha	Grace Church
1907	Grand Island	
1908	Hardy	
1909	Auburn	
1910	Beatrice	
1911	Omaha	Kountze Memorial
1912	North Platte	
1913	West Point	
1914	Allen	
1915	Lincoln	Grace Church
1916	Omaha	St. Luke's Church
1917	Grand Island	
1918	Fremont	
1919	Omaha	Grace Church
1920	North Platte	
1921	Wayne	
1922	Ponca	
1923	Emerson	
1924	Omaha	St. Mark's Church
1925	Rising City	
1926	Auburn	
1927	Fremont	
1928	Nebraska City	
1929	Omaha	Church of Our Redeemer
1930	Davenport	
1931	Stamford	
1932	West Point	
1933	Omaha, Kountze Memorial	
1934	Leigh	
1935	South Sioux City	
1936	Sidney	
1937	Allen	
1938	Fremont	
1939	York	
1940	Grand Island	
1941	Hooper	
1942	Falls City	
1943	North Platte	

MINUTES

TUESDAY MORNING MAY 11, 1943

HOLY COMMUNION

The Seventy-first Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska convened in First Lutheran Church, North Platte, Nebraska, the Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D.D., Pastor, at 8:15 Tuesday morning, May 11, 1943.

The Preparatory and Holy Communion Services were in charge of the clerical officers of Synod.

OPENING OF SYNOD

Following the Communion Service the Formal Open- of Synod was conducted by President J. C. Hershey.

The roll of Synod was called, thirty-four pastors and seventeen lay delegates being present.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel presented its Report. A motion carried to amend the report as follows: the afternoon session to begin at two o'clock and the bar of Synod to include the twelve front pews as determined by the west section. The Report was adopted.

The following Pastors were received into the membership of Synod. Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer, Pastor of St. Luke's, Emerson, from the Kansas Synod; Rev. W. F. Most, Pastor of Luther Memorial, Omaha, from the Midwest Synod.

The President of Synod presented his Report and referred it to the Committee on President's Report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

"Grace, mercy, peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord."

We have been invited to meet in one of the finest church buildings of our beloved Synod. Not only is this edifice beautiful to the eye and inducive to real worship, the congregation has been very fruitful to the Lord. For many years this congregation has set the pace for all other congregations of Synod in paying its benevolence 100%. While it dropped away from the lead a few years, it is now coming to the front again. We rejoice with the pastor, Dr. Rubrecht, because of the position this congregation holds in our Synod. Our prayer is that as we meet in your church and live with you in your homes, which you are so generously sharing with us, that we may be a blessing to you as you have been to your Synod and the United Lutheran Church.

Last year as we met in Falls City, we looked forward to this year with a hope in our hearts that conditions in the world would be some what settled before we met again. Our hope is not yet realized. We believe the light is beginning to dawn. The one thing that gives us courage and keeps up our spirits is what Jesus told His disciples, "and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Those were dark days too. The apostle Paul saw dark days and he said, "I can do all things in Him that strengtheneth me." With these comforting words we "press on toward the goal unto the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus."

With pastors retiring, accepting calls to other Synods, and going into the army as chaplains we have a great shortage with which to man our congregations. We are doubly thankful to our fathers who with a vision planted a seminary in our midst. Through the students and professors we have been able to give all our congregations services, most of them have been served regularly, two because of distance, have been having part time services.

Lutheran Home Mission Council

In order that you may understand something about the work and purpose of the Lutheran Home Mission Council we list the purposes in this report. The Minutes will be found on another page of this bulletin.

Article II—Purpose

A. To foster the spirit of fellowship and co-operation among the various Lutheran General Bodies.

B. To encourage the development of effective Home Mission methods and to give mutual encouragement and inspiration to Home Mission Work.

C. To encourage intelligent and progressive prosecution of Home Mission activities by means of surveys as well as collection of Home Mission information and data which shall be available to all General Bodies.

D. To foster the study and adoption of principles according to which fields may be occupied and worked without duplication of effort and expense.

E. To assist in the adjustment of any problems which may arise between mission agencies in regard to fields.

F. To engage actively in efforts toward removing duplication of Home Mission work.

All Lutheran General Bodies are eligible for membership in this Council.

Dr. Rubrecht and your president have been appointed to represent the United Lutheran Church in this region. Work undertaken, effecting our Synod, will be reported under congregations.

Deaths

The Rev. Paul Machetzki died February 19, 1943.

Statement of Official Acts

Resignations

May 17, 1942, Rev. E. C. Mortensen, Benedict.
Nov. 1, 1942, Rev. G. E. Moeller, Luther Memorial, Omaha.
Nov. 16, 1942, Rev. G. Gieschen, Wayne.
Dec. 1, 1942, Rev. H. Henriksen, Stamford.
Dec. 1, 1942, Rev. W. Motzkus, Leigh.
Oct. 15, 1942, Rev. W. W. Alexander, Hooper.
Dec. 31, 1942, Rev. S. K. de Freese, Columbus.
Dec. 31, 1942, Rev. E. F. Rohlfing, Broadwater.
Feb. 15, 1943, Rev. S. E. Frederick, Homer-Hubbard.

Calls Accepted in Synod

May 18, 1942, Rev. E. C. Mortensen, Paxton-Sutherland.
Sept. 1, 1942, Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer, Emerson.
Nov. 15, 1942, Rev. G. Geischen, Church of Our Redeemer, Omaha.
Dec. 1, 1942, Rev. H. Henriksen, Wayne.
Oct. 15, 1942, Rev. W. W. Alexander, St. Mark's, Omaha.
May 1, 1943, Rev. W. F. Most, Luther Memorial, Omaha.
Feb. 1, 1943, Rev. C. Hansen, Hardy.

Calls Accepted to Other Synods and to Army Chaplaincies

Jan. 1, 1943, Rev. S. K. de Freese, Synod of the Mid-West.
Nov. 1, 1942, Rev. G. E. Moeller, Chaplain in the Army.
Feb. 15, 1943, Rev. S. E. Frederick, Chaplain in the Army.
June 1, 1942, Rev. Milton Moore, Synod of the Mid-West.
Sept. 15, 1942, Rev. Raymond Johnson, Synod of the Northwest.
Oct. 1, 1942, Rev. G. R. Flora, Synod of the Northwest.

Commissioned to Foreign Missions

Dec. 11, 1942, Rev. E. F. Rohlfing was commissioned for Foreign Mission work in British Guiana, South America. Dr. T. D. Rinde preached the sermon, Rev. J. S. Rhine, a neighboring pastor and close friend conducted the service, and Dr. J. C. Hershey, president of Synod read the commissioning service.

Ordination Service

May 5, 1942, Rev. Milton G. Moore. Accepted a call to a congregation in the Synod of the Mid-West.

May 5, 1942, Rev. John B. Rupley. Accepted a call to the York-McCool parish.

May 5, 1942, Rev. S. K. de Freese. Accepted a call to Columbus.

Licensure

May 5, 1942, Rev. Paul M. de Freese. Supplied for a few months at Wilber and the remaining part of the year at Hooper.

Vacancies

Beatrice: John Shirey, second year in the Seminary, has been supplying this parish regularly. He will give full time to this congregation during the summer.

Benedict: Rev. K. Gigstad divides his time with his parish at Hampton and this congregation.

Broadwater: Services have been furnished to this congregation every two weeks by the president of Synod, professors of the Seminary and students.

Columbus: William Hover, a second year Seminary student, is caring for this congregation and will give to them his full time during the summer.

Dakota City, Emmanuel: Rev. H. Joens is caring for this parish with part time services.

Ericson: No services have been given this parish during the year.

Hildreth: Rev. Ernest Switzer, a senior in the Seminary has been supplying regularly for these people.

Homer-Hubbard: Students and the president of Synod have been supplying regularly and completing the instruction of a class of sixteen young people for confirmation on Palm Sunday. The class has been well prepared by the former pastor, Rev. S. E. Frederick.

Leigh: Students have been preaching in this parish every Lord's Day. Harry Mumm, a Seminary student in the second year began regular supply work April 1 and will give his full time to this work during the summer.

Stamford: Because of distance part time service has been given to this congregation. Arrangements are being made for services during the summer.

Wilber: Students have been supplying every Sunday for these people. A call has been given to Dr. A. B. Leamer of Oakland, Maryland. He will begin his services September 1.

Wolbach: During the absence of Dr. C. B. Harman for the winter months, Kendig Rupley, a student in the college, under the supervision of his father of Grand Island, has been supplying this congregation regularly. Dr. C. B. Harman will return as the regular supply pastor May 4th.

Installations

Aug. 2, 1942, Rev. E. C. Mortensen, Paxton-Sutherland.
Aug. 16, 1942, Rev. S. K. de Freese, Columbus.
Sept. 13, 1942, Rev. R. R. Pfeiffer, Emerson.
Nov. 8, 1942, Rev. W. W. Alexander, St. Mark's, Omaha by Rev. O. E. Ebright, D.D.
Dec. 13, 1942, Rev. G. Gieschen, Church of Our Redeemer, Omaha.
Dec. 13, 1942, Rev. Martin Striker, Potter, by Rev. W. T. Kahse, D.D.
Jan. 10, 1943, Rev. H. Henriksen, Wayne.
Jan. 17, 1943, Rev. J. B. Rupley Jr., York-McCool.
Feb. 7, 1943, Rev. C. Hansen, Hardy.

Anniversaries

The First Church at Allen: Celebrated its 30th anniversary July 26, 1942. Dr. F. C. Wiegman was the speaker for the day. Rev. and Mrs. Joseph C. Miller, a former pastor and his wife, as well as many other former members and friends were present.

Christ's Church at Davenport: Celebrated its 50th anniversary November 22, 1942, Dr. T. D. Rinde, dean of the Western Seminary, preached at the morning service and Dr. J. C. Hershey, spoke at the Thanksgiving Service in the afternoon.

Salem Lutheran at Fremont: Observed the 40th anniversary of the founding of the church May 31-June 7 with a special communion service, a musical service and a congregational dinner.

West Point: Pastor and Mrs. Klink observed their silver wedding anniversary August 16. The congregation's gift was a silver purse and various other gifts from individual members. October 25 pastor Klink observed his 25th anniversary of his ordination. Dr. Traub of Omaha brought the message and Mr. Wood, treasurer of Synod, brought greetings from Synod. The congregation presented the pastor with a silk robe.

Paxton: Trinity Church observed its 40th anniversary September 6th. Dr. J. C. Hershey gave the address to a full church in the morning and Rev. Carl Kemper, a former pastor, spoke at the afternoon service. Greetings were read by the pastor, Rev. E. C. Mortensen and gifts received for the church were the Christian and American flags and a baptismal font. The Church Council presented a new Parish record.

Improvements

Allen: The Ladies Aid purchased three congoleum rugs for the children's Sunday School room and one for the parsonage at a cost of $40.00. They also gave two beautiful silk flags to the church costing $36.00. These were American and Christian flags. $660.00 was paid on the church note and interest leaving an indebtedness of $120.00. A beautiful hand made golden oak Baptismal Font was presented to the congregation on Sunday, December 20, 1942 in memory of Mrs. Edith L. Sipe, mother of Mrs. F. L. Cress. Twenty-five new Common Service Books were presented to the congregation by the Brotherhood. On our honor roll we have 19 young men in the armed service of our country.

Auburn: Inlaid linoleum cover in the pastor's study and a brass cross and two brass candelabra for the altar.

Davenport: Reshingled roof with asbestos cement shingles, foundation of the church repaired, and the basement repaired and redecorated. Total cost $1,111.51.

Fremont: Gifts to the church during the 40th celebration, $400 in cash, a new missal stand for the altar in memory of Rev. C. H. B. Lewis, D.D., and a memorial gift plaque is placed for the permanent record of all gifts to the church. The entire basement of the church was redecorated and the parsonage repainted on the outside and several rooms papered.

Gurley: Weatherstripped the parsonage at a cost of $100 and redecorated the sanctuary of the church. Cost $60.

Hooper: A parsonage fund has been started with the Building and Loan Association, the ladies of the church have made new confirmation robes, and a memorial fund is being started for art glass windows in the church.

Lincoln: The church parlors up and down stairs have been redecorated and the entire church recleaned. The Brotherhood was in charge of a large part of this work. The Lutheran service Center is a joint project of nine Lutheran Churches of Lincoln. All are working together happily and have furnished the Center with davenports, overstuffed chairs and drapes with plenty of straight chairs and tables and writing material. It is a quiet place for the service boys to retire when they wish to read, write or meditate. The laymen of all the

Lutheran churches of Lincoln are loud in their praises of this work and rejoice that they have been able to cross Synodical lines. Mr. Gus Prestegaard is the chairman.

Nebraska City: Stained glass windows repaired and altered at a cost of $350. Large silk Christian and American flags presented as gifts of Mr. and Mrs. George Eicher and family. A service flag was presented by the ladies of the church. Papering and painting was done in the parsonage.

Paxton: $265 spent on cleaning, painting, papering, and repairs on church and parsonage.

Ponca: October 18 Salem church dedicated a new church model Hammond Electric Organ, made possible through a bequest of $2,000 to the current fund by the late William W. Mikesell. Because of his long service as councilman and congregational secretary, and his wife's activities as choir director while living, the new organ was named the Will and Jennie Mikesell Memorial organ. Mrs. Mikesell also bequeathed $2,000 to the benevolences of the congregation, which sum has been remitted to Synod.

West Point: January 10, 225 new Common Service Books were dedicated. January 17 Christian and American flags were dedicated as was also the roll of honor of the boys in service for their country.

Wayne: A cross for the altar and Christian and American flags for the chancel were dedicated.

Recommendations

1. That we thank God for His goodness and mercy, for guiding us through these times of ill will and hatred in the world, for the strength and wisdom He has entrusted to us and for that precious promise, "I will be with you alway, even unto the end of the world."
2. That the Causes of the Whole Church be faithfully presented to all our congregations.
3. That we continue to increase our apportioned benevolence and reach the goal set before us.
4. That on the 23rd of May we present the emergency service of our beloved Church "The Lutheran World Action" and urge our people to meet their quota.
5. That pastors continue to present to the young men of their congregations the claims of the Gospel ministry.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Hershey

The Constitutional Amendment referred by the 1942 Synodical Convention was defeated.

The Report of the Treasurer was presented by Mr. F. E. Wood. The Auditor's Report was also presented and accepted.

TREASURER'S REPORT 1942

Receipts

The Apportionment	$25,792.09
Offering Synod Falls City	19.29
Brotherhood Minutes of Synod	28.00
Foreign Missions	599.27
Tabitha Home Specials	750.08
Midland College Specials	145.00
Western Theo. Seminary	52.50
Min. Pension & Rel.	120.78
L. S. M. W.	4.50
Konnarock School	5.00
Orphan Missions	26.00
Midland Assembly	4.00
L. W. A.	1,850.46

Song Books (convention from Lincoln & L. M. Omaha)	62.90
Pawnee Co. Quit Claim Deed W½ SE¼ Sec. 30	100.00
Synod Treasury L. M. Omaha	6.00
	$29,565.87

Disbursements

U. L. C. A. Apportionment	$11,639.49
U. L. C. A. Specials	2,606.01
Midland College Apportionment	6,210.13
Midland College Specials	145.00
Western Theological Seminary	52.50
Tabitha Home Apportionment	1,552.53
Tabitha Home Specials	750.08
Fixed Items:	
Ministerial Ed. Com.	500.00
Mission Comm.	1,400.00
Miscellaneous Items:	
U. L. C. Publishing House (Song book Convention)	62.90
Midland Assembly	4.00
Synodical Treasury:	
J. C. Hershey Salary and Expense	3,547.43
W. H. Saas Stationery and Postage	9.07
Hanson Audit Company	25.00
F. E. Wood Salary Account	25.00
F. E. Wood Stamped Eenvelopes and Stamps	20.00
F. E. Wood Expense to Synod	1.20
E. C. Mortensen Midland Board Mtg	5.00
W. A. Klink Midland Board Mtg	9.21
UnitedLuth . Publ. Hse. to close Song Book Account	13.98
H. Dumler Postage and Stationery	3.50
H. C. Cordts, Janitor Services, Falls City	5.66
C. H. Berhenke, Young Peoples Work	10.20
C. H. Berhenke, Expense to Chicago	11.75
C. H. Berhenke, West Conference	17.70
Nebraska State Bldg. & Loan Box Rental	2.20
Midland College Postage and Mimeo work	15.42
Gus Prestegaard Exec. Com. Mtg.	4.00
W. W. Kuenning Exec. Com. Mtg.	4.00
A. T. Yost Midland College Bd. Mtg.	10.24
W. W. Alexander Exp. to Chicago	15.00
Owen Printing Co. (Letterheads)	9.40
Perkins Printing Co. Nebr. Synod Luth.	170.64
T. J. C. Schuldt Exp. Moving Sec. Records	4.00
Perkins Printing Co. Synod Minutes	228.06
Frank Marsh, Sec. of State Corp. Tax	1.00
J. C. Hershey, Expense to Convention	35.00
O. Nelson, Expense to Convention	35.00
H. Wachner, Expense to Convention	35.00
O. L. Sturtevant, Expense to Convention	35.00
A. T. Yost, Expense to Convention	35.00
G. K. Rubrecht, Expense to Convention	38.50
L. H. Lesher, Expense to Convention	35.00
A. O. Frank, Expense to Convention	35.00
W. A. Klink, Expense to Convention	35.00
A. J. Manser, Expense to Convention	35.00
J. F. Bastar Treasurer Bond	10.00
Wallace Livers	5.22
Exchange	5.85
	$29,465.87
Balance in Synod Treasury (Pawnee Co. Deed)	100.00
	$29,565.87

BENEVOLENCE REPORT FOR 1942
THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Church	App'm't	Paid	%	Specials	Totals	1941 Totals
Allen	538	114.00	21	12.00	126.00	101.00
Auburn	1,272	452.00	35.5	223.24	675.24	611.72
Beatrice	530	110.00	21.7	74.75	184.75	125.07
Benedict	533	276.00	52	60.74	336.74	316.90
Broadwater	538	201.10	37.4	87.17	288.27	156.95
Columbus	401	131.00	32.6	15.00	146.00	122.50
Dalton	500	180.00	36	13.20	193.20	149.00
Dak City, Em.	43	5.00	12	....	5.00	13.00
" " Salem	491	216.00	44	25.84	241.84	181.26
Davenport	1,068	225.00	21	13.42	238.42	185.00
Eagle	248	10.00	4	7.80	17.80	8.00
Emerson	929	556.96	60	119.70	676.66	641.46
Ericson	66	13.00	20	10.00	23.00	9.80
Falls City	2,687	1,074.66	40	80.68	1,155.34	887.93
Fremont	2,239	1,807.26	80.7	323.35	2,130.61	1,962.95
Grand Island	3,931	1,267.00	32.2	103.10	1,370.10	1,179.55
Gurley	524	335.00	64	35.18	370.18	262.00
Hampton	286	83.50	30	31.44	114.94	21.75
Hardy	420	12.00	3	41.10	53.10	54.60
Hildreth	424	24.00	6	18.00	42.00	36.00
Homer	715	22.62	3	....	22.62	....
Hooper	1,120	200.00	18	47.59	247.59	290.07
Hubbard	381	35.00	9	13.50	48.50	58.50
Leigh	824	46.00	5.7	30.00	76.00	77.00
McCool Jct.	410	29.00	7	12.00	41.00	5.00
Paxton	777	374.00	49.4	117.58	491.58	257.00
Lincoln	2,059	2,063.00	100	243.82	2,306.82	2,351.02
Lewellen	239	25.00	10.5	44.81	69.81	92.00
No. Platte	2,430	2,035.00	84	223.70	2,258.70	1,993.49
Nebr. City	827	100.00	12	73.05	173.05	278.00
Om. First	1,511	549.00	36	3.50	552.50	642.92
" Grace	1,006	34.52	3.4	32.40	66.92	80.92
" K. Mem.	10,706	3,425.00	32	62.81	3,487.71	3,792.60
" L. Mem.	248	250.00	100.8	92.00	342.00	274.50
" Redeemer	2,478	1,260.00	50.8	53.46	1,313.46	1,460.00
" St. Lukes	2,573	2,043.54	79.4	121.35	2,164.89	1,392.86
" St. Marks	620	352.00	57	49.03	401.03	395.00
Oshkosh	214	115.00	54	52.40	167.40	40.00
*Ponca	948	2,301.00	242.7	132.32	2,433.32	406.00
Potter	124	124.00	100	70.00	194.00	117.25
Rising City	925	333.69	36	27.00	360.69	263.90
Scribner	906	125.00	13.8	36.14	161.14	100.00
Snyder	267	20.00	7.5	25.65	45.65	5.00
Sidney	734	420.00	57	355.00	775.00	459.95
S. Sioux City	1,244	494.00	40	83.00	577.00	497.50
Spencer	286	55.00	20	23.00	78.00	54.00
Stamford	505	189.00	37.4	26.40	215.40	147.54
Stella	105	42.00	40	10.35	52.35	52.00
Sutherland	57	36.25	63.6	41.71	77.96	5.06
Tekamah	167	175.00	105	....	175.00	78.94
Vacoma	310	54.54	17.6	....	54.54	85.00
Verdon	543	120.86	22.2	78.50	199.26	279.53
Walton	401	80.00	20	17.00	97.00	43.50
Wayne	1,110	320.00	28	51.45	371.45	409.30
West Point	1,505	629.29	41.8	56.50	685.79	575.01
Wilber	333	84.30	25.3	1.00	85.30	96.00
Wolbach	439	21.00	.5	5.35	26.35	50.00
York	324	115.00	35	16.40	131.40	67.00
	58,039	25,792.09	44.4	3,625.38	29,417.47	

* $2,000 Bequest estate of W. W. Mikesell

AUDITOR'S REPORT

March 27, 1943

The Board of Trustees,
The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska,
of the United Lutheran Church In America.

In compliance with the request of your Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood, we have again audited the books of the Synod following upon our previous audit, which was as of January 31, 1942, the present audit continuing from that date through January 31, 1943.

The officers of the Synod during the past fiscal year were:
Rev. John C. Hershey, President
Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt, Secretary
Mr. F. E. Wood, Treasurer

For convenience in locating the various Exhibits of our report, the following index is submitted:

Exhibit "A": Summary Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by Funds from February 1, 1942 to January 31, 1943, inclusive.

Exhibit "B": Detailed Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by Funds from February 1, 1942 to January 31, 1943, inclusive.

Exhibit "C": Bank Reconciliation, January 31, 1943.

Our report hereinafter agrees with the financial records of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska of the United Lutheran Church In America as kept by the Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood, and to the best of our knowledge and belief is a correct accounting for all receipts and disbursements for the fiscal period named hereinabove, and correctly set forth the balance on deposit in bank at the end of the fiscal year January 31, 1943.

Respectfully submitted,
THE HANSON AUDIT COMPANY
By James R. Hanson

The Report of the Statistician was presented by Rev. R. V. Davis.

REPORT OF THE STATISTICIAN

This year's Parochial Report sheets include totals for both years 1941 and 1942, which also indicate increases and decreases for the year.

Wish to call your attention to the following figures:

1. Net gain in Child Members for the year was 244, while net gain in Adult Members was 299, making a total net gain of Child and Adult Members 543. There were large losses in some congregations, evidently due to clearing the rolls of inactive members.

2. There was a decrease in Sunday School pupils of 1,096; a loss in Week Day Schools of 229 pupils, and a gain in pupils of Children of Church of 88.

3. The number of Catecumens decreased 108 over previous year.

4. The Men's organizations lost 3 groups with 91 members while the Women's societies lost 139 members. The Young People lost 5 groups and 254 members.

5. There was a gain of 2 members in Lutheran Seminaries; a loss in other Lutheran institutions of 11 and a loss in non-Lutheran institutions of 22.

6. In the total valuation of Church Property we note a decrease of $4.057 while the Indebtedness decreased $13,017.

7. During the past year there was an increase in Congregational Expenditures of $50,895; Unapportioned Benevolence decreased $2,260 and Apportioned Benevolence increased $4,180. This made a total benevolence increase of $1,920; and an increase in total expenditures of $52,815.

Respectfully submitted, R. V. Davis

The Report of the Historian was presented by Dr. G. K. Rubrecht.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Two congregations reported services of historical significance during the past Synodical year.

Outstanding and of far-reaching significance was the Dedication of the Church School and Parish House of Kountze Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church of Omaha on Sunday, June 28, 1942. The formal dedication was preceded by a week of special services and varied social activities. It was a happy week for the congregation, the culmination of at least two decades of hoping, praying, planning, building. The week of activities began with a Pre-Consecration service on Sunday, June 21. Monday evening was given over to a Church School Party. On Tuesday afternoon there was a Cradle Roll Tea. A big Home Coming Banquet taxed the seating capacity of the large Assembly Room and Fellowship Hall on Wednesday evening. The Banquet program included speakers and representatives from the city and state, greetings from the Omaha schools and clergymen. The address of the evening was delivered by Mr. H. Roe Bartle, Chief Scout Executive of Kansas City. The Rose Luncheon and Luther League Home Coming occupied Friday afternoon and evening. The dedication sermon on Sunday, June 28 was preached by Rev. Fred C. Wiegman, D.D., President of Midland College. The act of Dedication was read by Rev. John C. Hershey, D.D., President of Synod. The pastor, the Rev. Dr. Walter H. Traub read the Dedicatory Collects and was active in all of the special services of the week. In addition to a Souvenir Dedication issue of the Kountze Memorial Lutheran filled with facts, figures, a history of the congregation and Expansion Committees personnel, the congregation issued a beautiful Souvenir Booklet containing the week's program and an illustrated description of the new Parish House. Kountze Memorial is now prepared to meet the problems confronting a big down town congregation. Dr. Traub came to Omaha and Kountze Memorial in September, 1931.

Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church, Davenport, the Rev. Henry Dumler, pastor observed the Fiftieth Anniversary of the founding of the congregation on Sunday, November 22, 1942. The Rev. T. D. Rinde, D.D., Dean of Western Seminary, preached the Anniversary sermon. Dr. Hershey, president of Synod, preached at the Thanksgiving Service in the afternoon. Pastor Dumler prepared a very complete history of the congregation. This was read at the afternoon service.

Respectfully submitted, G. Keller Rubrecht

The Report of the Necrologist was deferred until the Memorial Service.

The following official representatives were introduced to Synod: Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz, Secretary on Promotion and Official Representative of The United Lutheran Church In America; D. L. Tyrrell, President of the Nebraska Synod Brotherhood.

The President announced the Special Committees.

The Report of the Executive Committee of Synod was presented by the Secretary. The recommendation for the appointment of a Committee on Constitution was adopted. Consideration of the Budget and the recommendation concerning the item for Midland College was deferred until after the Report of the Trustees of Midland College. The recommendation concerning Rev. W. J. Chittenden was deferred until the Executive Session.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
(May 1942 - May 1943)

1. The Executive Committee held two meetings since the last Convention of Synod.
2. The Standing Committees required by the Constitution and the Special Committees were appointed, and the Calendar for the 1943 Convention was arranged as shown in the 1942 Minutes.
3. The Committee transacted the unfinished business referred to it by the 1942 Convention.
4. The Perkins Printing Company of Fremont, Nebr. was selected to print the 1942 Minutes of Synod.
5. A resolution favoring continued merger effort was sent to the Evangelical Lutheran Synod in the Midwest.
6. Appointment of a Statistician to fill the unexpired term of Pastor Saas was left to the President of Synod.
7. The Officers of Synod were appointed as the Committee for the publishing of The Nebraska Synod Lutheran.
8. The per diem allowance to U. L. C. A. delegates was set at $3.50.
9. The Treasurer of Synod was instructed to invest the $100.00 received in payment for Pawnee County land until such time as needed for a memorial window in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Falls City, Nebraska.
10. The U. L. C. A. was memorialized for the publishing of an installation service for Synodical Officers.
11. An expression of thanks was given Dr. Rinde for the fine, efficient and capable service which he rendered as Secretary of Synod.
12. The Secretary was instructed to send the Minutes of Synod 1921-1940 inclusive, as completely as possible, to the University of Illinois Library in response to request received.
13. The Committee voted to send to the members of Synod reports to be presented to the 1943 Convention of Synod.
14. The Executive Committee recommends that the budget item for Midland College be made a preferred claim for one dollar instead of sixty cents per communing member.

Theodore J. C. Schuldt, Secretary

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee recommends the following budget for the year 1944.

Section 1—Fixed Items

Salaries	$ 3,100.00
Missions	1,400.00
Midland College	12,273.00
President's travel expense	600.00
Beneficiary Education	250.00
Synodical Paper	350.00
General Expense Fund	350.00
Printing	300.00
Student Work at the University of Nebraska	100.00
Young People's Camps	75.00
Auditor's Fees	25.00
Treasurer's Bond	10.00
Committee on Parish Life and Work	150.00
Total	$18,983.00

Section 2—The Apportionment

The United Lutheran Church In America	$30,418.00
Tabitha Home	7,352.00
Total	$37,770.00
Grand Total	$56,753.00

In accordance with the budget adopted by Synod, the Apportionment for 1944, based upon a Communing membership of 12,273 is as follows:

Allen	$ 456	Omaha, First	1,395
Auburn	1,446	Omaha, Grace	785
Beatrice	508	Omaha, K. M.	10,146
Benedict	485	Omaha, L. M.	268
Broadwater	559	Omaha, Redeemer	1,769
Columbus	286	Omaha, St. Luke's	2,504
Dakota City, Emmanuel	32	Omaha, St. Mark's	624
Dakota City, Salem	546	Oshkosh	222
Dalton	499	Paxton	485
Davenport	942	Ponca	1,007
Eagle	208	Potter	156
Emerson	859	Rising City	940
Ericson	74	Scribner	739
Falls City	2,546	Sidney	785
Fremont	2,167	Snyder	254
Grand Island	4,398	South Sioux City	1,178
Gurley	541	Spencer	397
Hampton	277	Stamford	660
Hardy	333	Stella	97
Hildreth	383	Sutherland	74
Homer	795	Tekamah	420
Hooper	929	Vacoma	273
Hubbard	277	Verdon	559
Leigh	767	Walton	453
Lewellen	277	Wayne	1,377
Lincoln	2,315	West Point	1,566
McCool Junction	374	Wilber	356
Nebraska City	744	Wolbach	610
North Platte	2,204	York	434

A motion carrfied to proceed with the election of President.

Rev. Henry Monnich, Official Representative of the Midwest Synod, was introduced to Synod.

A motion carried that visiting Pastors be given the privilege of the floor.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for President. No election.

Rev. Henry Monnich brought greetings from the Midwest Synod. Rev. H. Dumler responded.

The tellers reported on the second ballot for President. No election.

A motion carried that Synod hear greetings from the Nebraska Synodical Women's Missionary Society brought by Mrs. G. K. Rubrecht, President.

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

For the Year Ending June 30, 1942
As Reported to Synod in May, 1943

The Annual Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the Synod of Nebraska was held in conjunction with Midland Assembly, August 3 to August 7, 1942, in Fremont, Nebraska. Copies of the program, reports, and minutes have been placed in the hands of your secretary.

During the year ending June 30, 1942 a total of 58 Societies had reported. This was a loss of four Societies . . . three Societies having merged with other Societies in their congregations . . . one disbanded

entirely. There was one new Society. The total membership for the year was reported to be 1,071. During the year the Treasurer handled funds totaling $6,972.42. In addition to the Convention all six districts held Spring Conferences. Special guests for the Conferences were Miss Ruth Juram, Philadelphia, Pa., Promotional Secretary of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America, and the Rev. George Flora, Missionary of Liberia. The President also attended all Conferences.

The following officers were elected at the Convention:
President—Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, North Platte.
Vice President—Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, Lincoln.
Secretary—Mrs. Mabel Pfleuger, Emerson.
Statistician—Mrs. Wallace Livers, Ponca.
Treasurer—Mrs. W. F. Ottmann, Omaha.
Ex. Board Member—Mrs. Will Harkendorff, Falls City.
Ex. Board Member—Miss Frances Lolling, Lincoln.

Delegates to the Triennial Convention of the Women's Missionary Society of the United Lutheran Church in America to be held this fall were elected as follows:
First Delegate—Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, North Platte.
Second Delegate—Miss Frances Lolling, Lincoln.
Third Delegate—Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, Lincoln.

1st Alternate for the 1st Delegate	Mrs. Mabel Pfleuger, Emerson
2nd Alternate for the 1st Delegate	Mrs. Wallace Livers, Ponca
1st Alternate for the 2nd Delegate	Miss Amanda Jorn, Falls City
2nd Alternate for the 2nd Delegate	Mrs. Oscar Johnston, Omaha
1st Alternate for the 3rd Delegate	Mrs. E. C. Mortenson, Paxton
2nd Alternate for the Third Delegate	Mrs. Carl Berhenke, Omaha

Copies of the printed reports and minutes of the Convention were mailed to all the pastors of Synod. The "Quarterly Missionary" a news sheet is also being sent to all the pastors.

The Women's Missionary Society wishes to thank the members of Synod for their interest and cooperation. We heartily pledge our continued and renewed support to the program of our Church as she faces her task in this world now at war.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. G. Keller Rubrecht, President

The tellers reported on the third ballot for President. The Secretary declared Dr. J. C. Hershey elected President.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Vice President. Dr. C. B. Harman was declared elected.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Secretary. Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt was declared elected.

Mr. F. E. Wood was nominated for the Office of Treasurer. A motion carried that the rules be suspended and the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. Wood. It was so declared.

A motion carried that the Memorial Service follow the election of Statistician.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Statistician. Rev. R. V. Davis was declared elected.

Under the direction of Dr. G. K. Rubrecht, Necrologist, and Rev. H. Dumler, Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Missions, the Memorial Service was held for Dr. P. O. Machetzki, former Missionary to South America.

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

Death has again invaded our ranks. This time death called to eternal reward Dr. Paul O. Machetzki widely known missionary to South America, husband of the former Corinne Menges, also a missionary, of Spring Grove, Pa. Death came suddenly February 19, 1943, in Tampa, Fla., where he was a guest speaker at a Church conference. For the past twenty-nine years he served as missionary in Argentina and British Guiana. Broken in health, he had returned to this country where he continued to serve as his health permitted. In Tampa he and his wife were working among the Spanish-speaking residents. The war had prevented their return to South America when his health improved.

The following statement "In Memoriam" which appeared in the March issue of Ecclesia Plantanda is worthy of preservation in our Synodical Minutes and covers the activities of his life:

"During this period when it is impossible for many missionaries to return to the foreign fields, arrangements have been made for the use of their talents in the home mission field. Under this plan the Rev. Paul O. Machetzki and his wife left for Florida shortly after the Louisville convention to investigate a field in Tampa where there were some thirty thousand Latins located, of which twenty-five thousand live in Ybor City. Another denomination requested our missionary in Tampa to interest the Board of American Missions in this field which this group asserted they could not serve alone.

Pastor and Mrs. Machetzki, well versed in Spanish and widely experienced in mission work, enthusiastically entered into the survey and their report to the January meeting of the Board of American Missions led that Board to extend the period for the survey. Pastor Machetzki and his wife spent the month of January, the special period for the Foreign Board, in deputation service for that Board in the Florida churches. They then returned to the field in Tampa where they again took up the development of work among the Spanish-speaking people of Ybor City.

On February 17th and 18th the annual Missionary Assembly in Tampa, Florida, brought together many outstanding missionary leaders from all denominations. Friday morning Pastor Machetzki attended the last day's sessions in the Presbyterian church. Dr. Howard was one of the speakers and recognized Pastor Machetzki from the platform whom he had not seen since they last worked together in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in 1932. Naturally there was a happy reunion and at the luncheon which followed, during the question and answer period upon the subject of the race problem in mission work, Dr. Howard called upon Missionary Machetzki out of his experience to speak upon this important subject. Dr. Machetzki's plea for a missionary approach carried out on the principle of Christ's love for all mankind, deeply moved the audience and the meeting, as the chairman expressed it, 'adjourned on a beautiful note'.

After the close many came to the speaker's table to express their appreciation to Pastor Machetzki. When his wife noticed that he was taking a tablet she asked him if he was in pain and he said he was somewhat excited, and she insisted that he should be seated while he was conferring with some of the other pastors. He had hardly seated himself when he called to her again and in three minutes more he had passed away. The funeral services were held in Spring Grove, Pa., where they made their home while on furlough. The acting pastor of the church conducted the service, with addresses by Dr. Thomas, representative of the Foreign Board, and Dr. Simonton of York, Pa., representing the Board of American Missions, and Dr. Wentz, President of Gettysburg Seminary and Vice President of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Dr. Machetzki was born on March 16, 1885, at Breslau, reaching the age of almost 58 years. Graduated from Midland College and

from Western Theological Seminary in 1915, he took his Master's Degree in 1921 at the University of Nebraska. Midland College conferred on him during his furlough in 1931 the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity. He was ordained by the Synod of Nebraska in 1915 and served for three years as pastor at Ponca, Nebraska, and one year as supply pastor at Bruning, Nebraska. Called by the Board of Foreign Missions in 1921, he served as missionary in Argentina from 1922 to 1937, when he was transferred to the mission in British Guiana. On January 12, 1933, he married Corrine Mae Menges who had served as a woman missionary in Argentina since 1925. The marriage was performed in Argentina and three children were born to their union, one son and two daughters.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

G. Keller Rubrecht, Necrologist

The tellers reported on the first ballot for Historian. Dr. Rubrecht was declared elected.

The session adjourned. Prayer was offered by Rev. Harold Henriksen, Chaplain of Synod.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON—2 O'CLOCK

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. H. Henriksen, Chaplain of Synod.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel announced the order of business.

Dr. F. Eppling Reinartz spoke to Synod as the Official Representative of The United Lutheran Church In America.

Rev. G. Gieschen presented the Report of the Committee on Ministerial Education. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Ministerial Education Committee met in First Lutheran Church, North Platte, Nebraska, on May 11, 1943, at 1:00 p.m. to consider applications for aid for the year 1943-44.

Raymond Bartels, who will enter Western Seminary this fall, has applied for $100.00, and the committee voted to allow this amount.

Robert Bartels, who will be a Junior at Midland College, and who has been classified as 4-F by his draft board as a theological student, applied for $125.00, and the committee voted to allow this amount.

Total disbursements for the past year were $250.00.

One of the applicants for aid last year did not resume his studies last fall. He received no funds this year, and has repaid part of the money loaned to him, with the expressed intention of repaying all of it.

Respectfully submitted.

G. Gieschen, Chairman
H. Dumler
W. C. Heidenreich
R. V. Davis
H. Joens

The Report of the Committee on New Congregations and Pastoral Charges was presented by Rev. W. W. Alexander.

Report On New Congregations and Pastoral Charges

May 11, 1943
North Platte, Nebraska

Your committee wishes to report that no constitution changes

nor new congregations have been brought to the attention of the committee during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
Willard W. Alexander, Chairman

The Report of the Trustees on the Midland College Board was introduced by Rev. A. H. Pinkall.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE MIDLAND COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

1. Recommended that we pledge our prayers, our efforts, and our finances in assisting Dr. Wiegman in building a greater institution in Midland College.
2. Recommended that Midland College be placed upon the Synodical Apportionment of the Nebraska Synod to the amount of $1.00 per capita.
3. Recommended that we give loyal support to Western Seminary and urge young men in our territory to prepare for the ministry at Western Seminary.
4. That our congregations be open to financial appeals for Midland College for the hope of raising a considerable sum for debt retirement and increased endowment.
5. Recommended that the membership of the Board of Trustees of Midland College for the Nebraska Synod be elected according to the proposed schedule of 2 clerical, 2 laymen, and the President of Synod ex-officio. Total 5.

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE FOR THE SCHOOL YEAR 1942-1943 MADE TO THE TRUSTEES

The year 1942-43, which began on September 7, 1942, has been an unusual year. The war program has occupied primary importance among the outside influences on the organization and curriculum of the College and Seminary. All considerations have been keyed into this.

Not a member of the faculty, staff, or student body has failed to respond with enthusiasm to whatever calls were made upon them by the government or the College administration. The morale and spirit have been of the very best.

The following developments during the year deserve special mention.

1. **Increased Synodical Support.** The support from our constituent synods has increased. This has been due to the special emphasis given to the College appeal for increased support by the Trustees at the respective synodical meetings. The members of the Board are to be commended. Attention should be called to the fact that Nebraska Synod, Iowa Synod, Pacific Synod, and California Synod have made the appropriation to the College and Seminary a matter of priority. This guarantee of support has been very effective in maintaining the morale of the faculty. I trust that conditions will so shape themselves within the other synods that the same procedure will be followed by them.

2. **Continued U. L. C. Support.** We cannot be unmindful of the undergirding of the College by the continued appropriation of $8,400 annually by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church. This appropriation is making possible the monthly reduction of the bonded indebtedness of the College. A comparison of the Treasurer's report of this year with last year's will reveal that the mortgage indebetdness has been reduced $2,846.33. Of the amount which is sent us by the Board, $1,000 is set aside for the department of Christian Education. The remainder is used for general purposes of administration.

3. **Fremont-Midland Emphasis Week.** The citizens of Fremont subscribed and paid $3,393.81 this year as compared with $3,285.63 for last year. This is the fourth year of a five-year program,

during which the City of Fremont promised to give to the College $10,000. The city has over-subscribed its promise, as these figures indicate. In this connection, the Board owes its appreciation to members A. E. Anderson, Art Baldwin, and H. A. Gunderson, who are our official connecting links with the Fremont-Midland Emphasis Fund.

4. **Summary of Enrollment.** The total in the College was 314, distributed as follows: seniors, 19; juniors, 39; sophomores, 86; freshmen, 156; irregulars, 14. An additional 93 students enrolled in special schools, exclusive of the Seminary which had 26, and the summer school which had 161. The net grand total enrollment was, therefore, 594, as compared with 617 a year ago.

5. **Faculty Needs.** Ten years ago the salaries of our faculty were cut some 40 per cent, very little, if any, of which has been restored to date. The average salary now being paid is in the neighborhood of $1,500 for a nine-months term, and under present conditions this salary scale is much too low. A fair salary, based on the scale in operation in representative colleges, is between $2,000 and $2,400, and we should make every effort to see that this level is reached this year.

6. **Financial Needs.** Although the synodical and Fremont support are increasing somewhat, the fact remains that the rise is too slow to retire our indebtedness, build up our endowment, restore salaries, maintain the equipment, and provide for necessary expansion. For this reason, I suggest that the Trustees confer privately with their synod officials regarding the feasibility of conducting a financial campaign of such proportion and under such management that a considerable sum will be realized for the retirement of the debt and the increasing of the endowment.

Several schools have completed such campaigns with great success. York and Hastings Colleges have been able to retire a considerable portion of their debt this year by means of such a campaign. It is a matter which should have the attention of the synods at their next annual meeting.

7. **Army and Navy Training Program.** Several Nebraska colleges have already been selected by the joint committee for the Army and Navy Training Programs. The War Manpower Commission has written us the following letter in this connection:

> "The Committee has approved the first group of institutions to be used in the Army and Navy Training Program. This represents only a small number of the institutions which will eventually be used. The Committee will continue to approve other institutions. Every institution in the country is being considered for possible use. Therefore, no institution not approved up to the present should conclude that its facilities will not be used. The facilities of Midland College, Fremont, Nebraska, are receiving very careful consideration."

8. **Western Theological Seminary.** Under the direction of Dean Thomas D. Rinde, the Seminary is having an unprecedented growth not only in numbers but in consolidation of curriculum and student activities. A fine spirit exists in the instituton and genuine progress is being made. Twenty-six students including partial-study registrants are enrolled. The property is in its best condition. Special mention should be made of the work of Andrew Fuhrmeister, caretaker, and William Eller, proctor. By arrangement with the Executive Committee, Dean Rinde now operates the Seminary under its own budget without sending requisitions through the College. The College administration supervises the budget but does not issue requisitions in advance as is true with all college departments. This has been done in order to give Dean Rinde a closer supervision of the operation and maintenance of the properties.

9. **Faculty Organization.** Succeeding the former dean, W. F.

Zimmerman, is Herman Gimmestad who has been Dean of Men. Dean Gimmestad brings to his office the qualifications so necessary for this office and will materially develop the academic phases of the College life. Dean of Women continues to be Mrs. Ada G. Newsom who combines with her duties as Dean the responsibilities of administering the dining room and teaching a heavy schedule of classes. Her assistant is Sister Lillie Kyzer. Dean of the Seminary continues to be Thomas D. Rinde, to whom particular referencehas been made in Item 8. Registrar is G. E. Hickman, whose assistant is Miss Mildred Cattern. Business Manager is F. E. Wood, who also superintends the properties and buildings. Treasurer is Miss Leah Williams, whose assistant is Mrs. Frank Bennett. Field Secretary and Military Coordinator is Alvin E. Tiemann, whose duties have been multiplying recently and who is showing decided qualities of leadership and administration. Publicity Director is Eugene Schooley, assisted by Miss Beth Snyder. Under his direction the journalism department continues its fine record.

Manager of the Bookstore is Prof. C. K. Burkholder, who, in common with most of our administrative staff, also carried a full teaching load. The speech department has been reorganized and is now chairmaned by Mrs. Sara Hawkinson, who takes over the forensics and debating formerly taught by Mr. Gimmestad. The classes formerly taught by Prof. Zimmerman have been divided among Mr. Gimmestad, Mr. Burkholder and Mrs. Newsom. Librarian is Miss Dorothy Dysinger. Chef and Cook are Mr. and Mrs. Ned Curtis, who have been with us several years and are rendering exceptionally efficient service.

Th faculty is composed as follows: Fred C. Wiegman, President.

Frank H. Bennett, Director of Band and Orchestra, Instructor in Music, Instructor in C. P. T.

C. K. Burkholder, Professor of Economics and Sociology, Manager of Bookstore.

Dorothy Holmes Dysinger, Librarian.

M. L. Fraser, Professor of Biology and Chemistry, Instructor in C. P. T.

P. W. H. Frederick, Professor of Greek, History and Philosophy in the College, and Professor of Exegetical Theology in the Seminary.

Herman Gimmestad, Dean of the College, Professor of English and Instructor in History.

Wilma Gimmestad, Instructor in Physical Education for Women, WAAC Faculty Advisor.

Rupert Goodbrod, Associate Professor of Music.

Ralph L. Hankey, Professor of French, German and Spanish.

George H. Hartwig, Professor of English and Christian Education.

Sara A. Hawkinson, Professor of Speech, Director of Dramatics and Forensics.

Glen E. Hickman, Registrar, Director of Summer School and Extension Division, Professor of Education, Director of Placement.

Mildred Belle Kies, Professor of Business.

Anna Kreinheder, Instructor in Art, Instructor in Piano.

Elvera Jensen, Instructor in Business.

Gilbert Lueninghoener, Professor of Astronomy, Chemistry, Geology and Mathematics, Instructor in C. P. T.

Oscar Lyders, Director of Choir, Professor of Music, Instructor in C. P. T.

William Nelson, Director and Coach of Athletics, Instructor in Physical Education for Men, Instructor in C. P. T.

Adda G. Newsom, Dean of Women, and Assistant Professor of Latin, English and History.

Edwin Prauner, Instructor in Business.

William F. Rangeler, Chaplain, Professor of Christian Education

in the College, and Professor of Practical Theology in the Seminary. (Because of ill health, Dr. Rangeler has been excused from teaching the second semester and his classes have been assigned to Seminary students until his health improves and permits his return to classes).

Lydia M. Peterson, Assistant Professor of Education.

Eugene Schooley, Director of Publicity and Assistant Professor of Journalism.

Thomas D. Rinde, Dean of the Seminary, Professor of Historical Theology in the Seminary.

Elmer McClellan Stahl, Professor of Mathematics.

Mrs. Fred C. Wiegman, Instructor in Mathematics.

Alvin E. Tiemann, Director of C. P. T., Instructor in Christian Education.

James Weblemoe, Assistant Professor of Physics and Mathematics, Instructor in C. P. T.

10. **Properties.** The buildings and properties of the College, both plant and endowment, are in good shape. With the limited funds available for janitor services, Superintendent Wood has been able to maintain the rooms in good condition. With the decline of available men students for janitor services, it will be necessary for the Board to allocate a larger amount for this type of work.

11. **Inter-Collegiate Relationships.** The College and Seminary have had very close relations with Dana College and Seminary at Blair and have had several exchanges of student visitations. Luther College at Wahoo has also been visited and a very friendly spirit of co-operation exists among the three Lutheran colleges within this immediate area, namely: Midland, Dana, and Luther. It is hoped that the relations between these institutions shall flourish and Lutheran education be further developed by our co-operative efforts.

12. **Prospects for the Future.** To the very limit of its capacities, the College will continue its present liberal arts organization. Every faculty member and all departments are being maintained with the hope that no reductions will need to be made despite decreasing enrollments. It is our firm conviction that any ground surrendered now will be retaken after the war at the cost of great effort. We believe it to be advisable to hold that to which we have attained. We may reasonably expect about the same number of young women students next year. The enrollment of young men, will, of course, be less, due to the military requirements. Only the physically unfit, pre-theological students, young men under 18, and students deferred for necessary reasons will make up the male population next year. However, there is assurance that some war program will be secured for the College. At present 20 young men are in the Civil Aeronautics Administration War Training Program and we are hopeful of increasing that number. These young men study for 8 weeks only, taking their ground school with us and their flight instruction at the municipal air port. By the time this report is printed, perhaps the Army or Navy will have installed their own training programs on the campus as has been done in various other schools in the state. There is no definite information on this score now.

13. **The Soul of the College.** Midland will not forget that it is a Christian college committed to a curriculum of liberal arts and Christian instruction in a Christian environment. Whatever is done in promoting the military program, and we shall do all that is patriotically required, we shall not fail to remember that the spiritual as well as intellectual growth of the student is our responsibility. Even in connection with the war program, we shall attempt to maintain the same standards that have characterized the College and Seminary for more than 50 years. We shall need your prayers as well as your support and we shall also need the presence on the campus of your children to provide the leadership and the co-operation without which a Christian institution cannot be maintained.

Respectfully submitted, Fred C. Wiegman, President

Dr. A. O. Frank spoke to Synod as the official Representative of Midland College.

The session adjourned.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Executive Session of Synod convened at 4:30 p.m.

Prayer was offered by Rev. A. H. Pinkall.

The Report of the Ministerial Education Committee was presented by Rev. G. Gieschen.

REPORT OF THE MINISTERIAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE TO THE EXECUTIVE SESSION OF SYNOD

The Ministerial Education Committee, meeting in regular session at First Lutheran Church, North Platte, Nebraska, passed the following resolution:

We recommend to the Synod, in connection with a recommendation of the Executive Committee, that if Walter J. Chittenden is dismissed from the Synod, the notes now being held against him by the Ministerial Education Committee, be canceled concurrently.

G. Gieschen, Chairman

A motion carried that Rev. W. J. Chittenden be dismissed from Synod.

A motion carried that the notes held by the Treasurer of the Ministerial Education Committee against Walter Chittenden be cancelled and returned to him.

The Report of the Committee was adopted as a whole.

The Report of the Exomining Committee was presented by Rev. A. H. Pinkall. The recommendations were adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXAMINING COMMITTEE

May 11, 1943
North Platte, Nebraska

In accordance with the constitution of Synod we have examined the following young men: Mr. Clarence Hansen, Harry Mumm, John Shiery and Paul de Freese. The first three men applying for licensure and last named for Holy Ordination.

1. We recommend that Mr. Clarence Hansen having received a call to St. Paul's, Hardy be licensed at this convention of Synod, for one year.
2. We recommend that Mr. Harry Mumm, having received a call to St. John's, Leigh, be licensed at this convention of Synod, for one year.
3. We recommend that Mr. John Shiery, having received a call to Trinity, Beatrice, be licensed at this convention of Synod, for one year.
4. We recommend that Mr. Paul de Freese, having received a call to Grace, Hooper, be ordained at this convention of Synod.

A. H. Pinkall, Chairman

The session adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

ORDINATION SERVICE—TUESDAY 8:15 P.M.

The Ordination Service was in charge of the President of Synod assisted by the following Pastors: Dr. C. B. Harman, Dr. G. K. Rubrecht, Dr. W. A. Klink, Rev. L. H. de Freese, Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt. The Ordination Sermon

was preached by Dr. W. A. Klink from the text, John 13:15.

Rev. Paul de Freese was ordained. Students Clarence Hansen, Harry Mumm, John Shiery were licensed for one year.

WEDNESDAY MORNING 8:15

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. H. Henriksen, Chaplain of Synod.

Minutes of sessions held Tuesday morning and afternoon were read and approved.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel announced the order of business.

The Report of the Committee on Parish Life and Work was presented by Rev. C. H. Berhenke who introduced Chairmen of the sub-committees, each giving a brief oral Report.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PARISH LIFE AND WORK

(Parish Promotion Committee)

This committee has met several times throughout the year in order to formulate its policy and to draw the lines of the division of the work.

The Committee on Parish Life and Work is designed to aid in the promotion of the work of the parish by working with all of the age groups and organizations within Synod.

There are five divisions within the general committee. Each division is headed by one member of the committee. He is the official representative of Synod to all organizations coming within his age group and is responsible for their encouragement and direction, suggesting such improvements or modifications as are in harmony with the general policy of Synod. At present it is considered best to be active in an inquiring, advisory, counseling capacity.

The divisions, chairmen, and general type of work in which they are particularly interested are here listed.

COMMITTEE ON PARISH LIFE AND WORK

I

CHILDREN of the Parish
(Under 12 years of age)
Paul Wiegman, Chairman

1. Children of Church
2. Light Brigade
3. Cub Scouts
4. Children's Choirs
5. Junior League

II

YOUTH of the Parish
(Age 12-20)
Wallace Livers, Chairman

1. Luther League
2. Boy Scouts
3. Catechetical
4. Choirs
5. Post Confirmation Rallies

III

WOMEN of the Parish
(Over 18)
G. K. Rubrecht, Chairman

1. Missionary Society
2. Ladies Aids
3. Altar Guilds
4. Women's Work

IV

MEN of the Parish
(Over 18)
A. H. Pinkall, Chairman

1. Brotherhoods
2. Council
3. Men's Organizations

V

CHURCH SCHOOLS AND MIXED GROUPS
(All Ages)
W. W. Alexander, Chairman

1. Sunday Schools
2. Leadership Training
3. Week-day Schools
4. Vacation Schools
5. Couples' Clubs

As you see our purpose is to reach not only the existing recognized organizations but to contact those groups which have never been recognized.

Reports from these organizations to Synod will be made through their respective Synodical representative chairmen.

Respectfully submitted,
C. H. Berhenke, General Chairman

YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE REPORT

Supplementary to Committee on Parish Life and Work

Although the most tangible activities of young people's work during the past year in our Synod may be seen in the two youth camps, it must be ever remembered that the most permanent and far reaching results with young people are always made by local Pastors and congregations in their week by week contacts, in their patient and persistent guidance, and by their seemingly routine and often thought of fruitless activities.

For this reason the appeal comes from your Synodical Committee and from the Luther League of America for all Pastors and congregations to keep all Luther League and youth work going as intensively as possible despite the difficulties of these days and to stress the importance of beginning new and improving old work, especially with Intermediates (those 12-15 years). This will require the initiative of the Pastor, the cooperation of the congregation and the aroused interest of parents.

Concerning reports of Camp activities, this brief summary is given: "The Western Conference sponsored a Youth Camp which was held June 17-July 3, at Skyline Ranch near Encampment, Wyo. Forty-nine youth and faculty were present including three from the Augustana Synod.—by John S. Rhine."

A five day camp-convention of the Luther League of Nebraska was held at Columbus again last year with 91 leaguers, a staff of 10 Pastors, 1 missionary and 1 deaconess (total over 100). Two U. L. C. A. credit courses were given and 33 credit cards awarded. The cost was $6.00 per person which just covered expenses.

In response to the questionnaire concerning youth organizations sent out by the Parish Life and Work Committee (chairman) of which this young people's committee is a part: Twenty-one Pastors from 23 congregations reported, listing 18 Luther Leagues, 1 Youth of the Church and 2 Boy Scout organizations, 3 Choirs, 7 catechetical and 2 Sunday School classes. No attempt is made here at analysis. Draw your own conclusions.

A picture of activities as told in a report from L. L. headquarters may be gathered from the following:

Membership:	1941	1942	L. L. of Am. Sup.:	1941	1942
Y. P.	232	110	Dues	$112.50	$65.00
Senior	274	208	Sustaining Mem.	40.10	35.18
Intermed.	134	100	Missionary Project	'41-'43	65.46
Totals.....	640	418			

This summer, three scholarships are being awarded to Synod to attend Camp Nawakwa at Biglerville, Pa., a training school sponsored by the Parish and Church School Bd. and Camp Nawakwa for the purpose of acquainting youth leaders with all phases of camp work. It is hoped that these scholarships may be put to full use by our synodical personnel.

In closing this report, an additional emphasis in young people's work is made. It concerns Confirmation rallies. Though this is a rather new undertaking in our territory it has been used with success in the east, as you no doubt have seen from accounts in "The Lutheran". The advisability of having such rallies rests with the Pastor and his congregation. Should such be held, this appeal is urgently made: That all available means be used to emphasize the larger activities for service on the part of our youth; that appeals be made

to talented youth to enter the Office of the Christian Ministry and the Diaconate; that such programs seek to tie in the local youth activities with that of the larger work of the Church at home and abroad.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. W. S. Livers, Y.P., Chairman

A motion carried that greetings be sent to the Iowa Synod in session at First Lutheran Church, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical member of the Midland College Board of Trustees. The Rev. A. H. Pinkall was declared elected.

Mr. W. A. Heuer, Mr. H. G. Wellensiek, Mr. Thomas Lipps were nominated for lay member of the Midland College Board of Trustees

A motion carried that Synod hear the report of the Committee on Promoting Subscriptions to The Lutheran. This Report was presented by Rev. A. L. Mendenhall. The recommendation was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON THE CIRCULATION OF THE LUTHERAN

The committee on the Circulation of THE LUTHERAN sent one letter to the ministers of Synod during the year with the result that eleven congregations out of 58 reported new subscriptions. Since the goal of circulation is 5% of the confirmed membership the total number of subscriptions needed to fill the goal would be 1,053. The results of the eleven congregations reporting was 65 new subscriptions for one year, 2 for six months and 43 renewals for one year and one for six months, a total of 111 subscriptions.

Last year 13 congregations reported 150 new subscriptions for one year, 20 for six months, also 9 renewals for one year, a total of 179 subscriptions. Last year 24% of the goal was reached and with this year's results added to last years we have 455 subscriptions on the list or 43.2% of our goal.

RECOMMENDATION: That the pastors of Synod enroll their congregations in the drive for subscriptions during the Church paper month this fall and do their utmost to reach our goal.

Respectfully submitted,
A. L. Mendenhall, Chairman

Mr. D. L. Tyrell, President of the Nebraska Synodical Brotherhood presented his Report.

REPORT OF THE BROTHERHOOD

The chaotic travel conditions existing since our last Convention resulted in all our business being transacted by correspondence. We were skeptical as to what the outcome might be.

We are happy indeed, that although the attendance at the local meetings is somewhat smaller than usual, most of the Brotherhoods are still intact and carrying on the work of Christ's Kingdom. Lutheran Men, monthly topics are being used very successfully by nearly all our Brotherhoods.

Personal Evangelism is the first thought of every loyal Brotherhood Man. We have accepted the "Six Objectives" as our program. Through these Objectives we have accepted the summons to serve. By Personal Work and Personal Testimony we are sharing what we have of Christ.

Lutheran World Action, is our action now, for the duration, by the Official action of the National Convention. The State Brotherhood has also accepted this project and fine reports are already coming in. Each Brotherhood should seek to have a large part in

presenting the cause of Lutheran World Action to its Congregation.

The Executive Committee met only once during the past year, but its Members have kept in constant touch with each other and with the local Organizations by mail. Some five hundred pieces of mail going out in an effort to stress the value of our work in the Church.

The State Brotherhood was exceptionally well represented at the Louisville Convention in October. Ten Brotherhood Pastors and Laymen attending. Four of our Executive Committee were chosen as Post Convention Meeting Leaders.

The Treasurer reports State and National dues are coming in, all bills paid, and a balance on hand.

The Officers of Synod, the Pastors and Laity have shown a keen interest in the welfare of our Organization for which we are sincerely appreciative.

We would urge our Pastors to expect greater things and ask greater things of our Brotherhood in the work of the Local Church. This would prove a blessing to the Spiritual Life of our Men and the whole Congregation. The Brotherhood stands ready at all times to continue in the whole work of the whole Church.

Respectfully submitted,
D. L. Tyrrell, President

The Report of the Missionary Committee was presented by the President of Synod.

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

Five meetings were held since the last meeting of Synod. The officers of this committee are as follows: Otto Nelson, president; J. C. Hershey, secretary; and A. H. Pinkall, treasurer.

Broadwater: Organized July, 1934. This mission has been vacant since January 1, 1943. Students of the seminary and the president of Synod have been supplying every two weeks. Arrangements for a full time supply for the summer has been made, the Board of American Missions of the U. L. C. A. cooperating financially. This mission has 121 communing members, and an active missionary Society, Brotherhood and Luther League. Rev. E. F. Rohlfing resigned to accept a call to Foreign Missionary work in British Guiana, S. A.

Columbus: Organized in 1931. Rev. Kenneth de Freese accepted a call to this Mission June 1, 1942 and resigned to accept a call to a parish in the Mid-West Synod January 1, 1943. Student William Hover is the regular supply pastor and will continue full time during the summer months. $400.00 was paid to clean up the first mortgage leaving $1,900.00 indebtedness to the Board of American Missions through Synod. This amount is being paid off to the amount of $150.00 annually. Student Hover reports an average attendance at the morning service of 69, Friday evening service during Lent of 44. The Children of the Church meets every Friday after school with an average attendance of 16. The average attendance of the Luther League is 11.

Luther Memorial, Omaha: Organized in May 1936. Rev. G. E. Moeller resigned November 15, 1942 in order to accept a commission as chaplain in the Army. Rev. W. F. Most became the regular supply pastor February 1. Having received a call he will begin as regular pastor after he finishes his studies at Midland for his A. B. degree, which will be May 1, 1943. Rev. Most reports that the average attendance is steadily increasing. This mission has again paid its apportioned benevolence in full. Its contribution toward World Action was more than double its quota.

Scribner: Organized in 1930. Rev. Davis has been the pastor of this mission since December 1, 1941. The communing membership is 160. Average attendance at morning service is 78. Number in the confirmation class is 14. This mission purchased a site for a church building on which the cost was $1,500.00. This mission is now incorporated.

Spencer: Organized in 1930. Rev. M. B. Simon became the missionary pastor February 1, 1941. The communing membership has increased to 84. A greater loyalty to the church is manifested in an increased attendance. Both Rev. and Mrs. Simon deserve much credit for their faithfullness to this mission.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Hershey, Secretary

THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Omaha, Nebraska

Treasurer's Report for period March 31, 1942 to March 31, 1943. Depository: Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha, Nebraska.

Receipts

Balance on hand March 31, 1942	$ 743.63
Received from Evaneglical Synod of Nebraska on Apportionment, regular	1,366.80
Total of Receipts plus Balance	$ 2,110.43

Disbursements

12 months salary to J. C. Hershey (Missionary Supt.)	$ 300.00
8 months salary to G. E. Moeller (Luther Memorial)	320.00
Salary to W. F. Most (Luther Memorial)	50.00
7 months salary to S. K. de Freese (Columbus)	280.00
Salary to William Hover (Columbus)	40.00
Travel expenses and meals for Committee	55.94
Bonding Treasurer, A. H. Pinkall	5.00
Lutheran Home Mission	15.00
Total Disbursements	$ 1,065.94
$2,110.43 less $1,065.94 leaves BALANCE ON HAND	$ 1,044.49

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. Pinkall, Treasurer

Omaha, Nebraska
April 3rd, 1943

To the Missionary Committee Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

This is to certify that the books of your treasurer have been audited by me this 3rd day of April 1943 and found correct.

Balance on hand as shown by Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska is	$ 1,114.49
(3) Outstanding checks No. 99, 100 and 101	70.00
Balance on hand as of March 31st, 1943	$ 1,044.49

Respectfully submitted,
H. G. Gameral, Auditing Committee

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by Rev. H. Dumler.

REPORT OF FOREIGN MISSIONS COMMITTEE

A number of pastors in our Synod ordered literature for the month of January, Foreign Mission Time, 1943. February 19th Rev. P. O. Machetzki, D.D., member of our Synod, died in Tampa, Florida. Since 1923, Dr. Machetzki has served the Church in our Argentine and British Guiana Fields.

At the recent meeting of the Board of Foreign Missions plans were made for the holding of a Fellowship Deputation School at Gettysburg Seminary, Gettysburg, Penn., May 30 to June 4, 1943. To this School all furloughed ,repatriated and retired Missionaries will be invited. During the week the chief theme will be "How to Present Foreign Missions to the Church under Present World Conditions".

The Board is arranging for missionaries on furlough, repatriate and retired to serve as field representatives through the territory of the United Lutheran Church. The School at Gettysburg will be preparatory to the missionaries taking up this work.

The assignments of Missionaries to specific areas are now being made. As soon as they have been completed the Chairmen of the Foreign Mission Committees of Synods will be informed of the Missionaries assigned to their respective areas. The plan is for our missionaries to cultivate intensively the Church on behalf of Foreign Missions. The missionaries are not only to preach on Sunday, but to remain in one locality for a week or more contacting various organizations within the Church including Brotherhoods, Women's Societies, Luther Leagues and the Children of the Church.

On February 27, 1943 Rev. L. L. Uhl, D.D., Ph.D., died in Boston. Dr. Uhl served fifty years as a missionary in our Indian Mission Field.

Respectfully submitted,
Henry Dumler, Chairman

The Tellers reported no election on the first ballot for lay member of the Midland College Board of Trustees.

A motion carried that if there be no election on the second ballot for lay member of the Midland College Board of Trustees, the third ballot be limited to the two nominees receiving the highest number of votes on the second ballot.

The Report of the Committee on Social Missions was presented by Dr. A. O. Frank.

SYNODICAL COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL MISSIONS

The war emergencies make the work of fostering evangelism, inner missions and social action in the local congregations imperative. The matter of ministering to temporary residents, new residents, service draftees and their families, as well as many disrupted routine practices of our members, is a vital one in these days. While general suggestions are being sent out by our Board of Social Missions each pastor must adapt such activity as fits into his particular parish.

Your committee solicits information as to how it may be of greater help to the pastors in meeting their specific problems and stands ready to lend such assistance as may be possible.

Respectfully submitted,
A. O. Frank
R. V. Davis

The Report concerning the Nebraska Synod Lutheran was presented by President J. C. Hershey, Chairman of the Committee on Synodical Paper.

THE NEBRASKA SYNOD LUTHERAN

Three issues of the Nebraska Synd Lutheran of 6,400 copies each at a cost of $266.58 were printed during the year. After the first two issues had been sent out we were reminded that the appropriation made at the last Synod meeting was made for 1943 only. We submitted the paper to four printing firms for prices and gave the job to the lowest bidder. Prices are still advancing. A problem we face is to get the printing done in a reasonable time after the material has come in.

The committee wishes to thank the pastors for sending in their news. It was necessary to enlarge the last two issues even after cutting down some articles.

We recommend that we continue the Nebraska Synod Lutheran

and that an appropriation of $350.00 be allowed to run from Synodical meeting to Synodical meeting and that four issues be printed during the Synodical year.

Respectfully submitted,
Your Committee
J. C. Hershey, Chairman

The tellers reported no election on the second ballot for lay member of the Midland College Board of Trustees.

The Report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions and Relief was presented as an oral report by Dr. C. B. Harman, in the absence of Dr. G. N. Mendenhall.

A motion carried that Synod cooperate with the Board of Ministerial Pensions and Relief in their promotional plans.

The tellers reported on the third ballot for lay member of the Midland College Board of Trustees. Mr. W. A. Heuer was declared elected.

The Report of the Committee on Stewardship was presented by Rev. J. B. Rupley Sr. The recommendation was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STEWARDSHIP

This Committee, during the past year, endeavored to bring to the attention of our Church members the need for a larger support of the U. L. C. A. apportionment, through two articles published in "The Nebraska Lutheran". Last fall, a letter was sent to all our pastors of Synod urging an every-member visitation, and that emphasis be given to the Causes of the U. L. C. A.

There was a hundred per sent participation on the part of our Synodical Congregations during the year in paying on the apportionment. Five of our Congregations paid their apportioned benevolence in full, and increases over other years were noted in other Congregations. This made possible a larger percentage paid on U. L. C. A. apportionment over last year.

Your committee would like to emphasize the two recommendations presented at the Thirteenth Biennial Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America, which were as follows:

1. "That the annual every member visitation be re-indorsed as a feature of the Congregational program, and that the pastors and church councilmen be encouraged to follow the method of procedure that will bring the most satisfactory results, spiritually, educationally, socially, financially."

2. "That the growing practice of making Christian stewardship as taught in the Scriptures basic in the congregational program be given every encouragement, to the end that all confirmed members be awakened to a deeper sense of personal responsibility for the whole program of the whole Church."

The Committee recommends that the Nebraska Synod continue the effort to raise apportionment in full, and that we endorse the recommendations presented by the Stewardship Committee of the Lutheran Laymen's Movement, and adopted by the U. L. C. A. Biennial Convention of 1942.

Respectfully submitted, Committee

The tellers reported no election on the first ballot for clerical member of the Executive Committee.

The Reports of the Midland Assembly Board and Synodical Reporter to The Lutheran were presented by Dr. A. O. Frank.

REPORT OF SYNODICAL REPORTER TO "THE LUTHERAN"

Various anniversaries and other interesting reports of congregational activities of our Synod were reported in the columns of The Lutheran under "Cornhusker" news letters. Pictures have been sent in from time to time, some of which were used in connection with these reports. More pictures of general interest would be welcomed. They should be printed on glossy finish paper, clear, and when possibl, action pictures. Your reporter appreciated the fine co-operation of many of the pastors in sending in items from time to time.

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred O. Frank, Reporter

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE MIDLAND SUMMER ASSEMBLY FOR CHURCH WORKERS

The 20th annual summer assembly of our Synod met on the Midland Campus, August 2-7 inclusive, in conjunction with an annual convention of the Woman's Missionary Society. The faculty consisted of Rev. Chas. B. Foelsch, D.D., Ph.D., President of the Maywood Seminary; Rev. Erwin S. Spees, of the Parish and Church School Board; Missionary George Flora, of our own Synod, formerly missionary in Liberia, Africa; Rev. G. K. Rubrecht, D.D. and Rev. L. H. Lesher, D.D.; Miss H. Biederbeck, Missionary; Mrs. W. A. Voss; Mrs. H. S. Bechtolt; Rev. A. L. Almer; and Miss Amanda Jorn, Director of the Junior Assembly.

With most favorable cool weather, a fine week of inspiration was held for the benefit of all who were in attendance, evidenced in the splendid spirit which prevailed.

Officers were elected for the year. President, Alfred O. Frank; Vice President, Carl H. Berhenke; Secretary, W. W. Alexander; and Treasurer, Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant.

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred O. Frank, President

The Report of the Merger Committee and the Report of the United Lutheran Church Convention at Louisville, Ky., were presented by Dr. J. C. Hershey.

REPORT OF MERGER COMMITTEE

No meeting was held this year due to the fact that the Synod of the Midwest felt there was no common ground on which we could merge. However, the Executive Committee of the United Lutheran Church in America has requested the Synod of the Midwest to appoint a merger committee at their Synod meeting this spring and continue negotiations with the other two Synods on this territory looking forward to a merger in the near future.

We recommend that the merger committee be continued in the Synod of Nebraska.

Respectfully submitted,
Your Committee

REPORT OF UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH CONVENTION AT LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

The United Lutheran Church met in Louisville, Ky., on October 14th to 21st. A full delegation represented the Synod of Nebraska. The minutes of the U. L. C. A. as well as the Year Book are very valuable and interesting and should be read and studied carefully by all pastors and leaders of the church. Pastors will do well to call the attention of their people to many important matters listed in the minutes.

Matters which need the attention of this body will be brought to us through the various committees.

Respectfully submitted,
Your Committee.

A motion carried that the place of the next Synodical meeting be left to the decision of the Executive Com-

mittee and that, if possible, it be so arranged that our Synod and the Midwest Synod meet at the same time in the same city in order that mutual benefits may be gained.

The tellers reported on the third ballot for clerical member of the Executive Committee. Dr. W. A. Klink was declared elected.

Mr. Gus Prestegaard and Mr. Don Thomas were nominated for lay member of the Executive Committee.

The Report of the Committee on Student Work in Non-Lutheran Schools was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher.

To Whom it may concern:

The work among the Lutheran Students of the National Lutheran Council has again this year been carried on under the direction of the Committee for Student Work, supervised by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church, and by the Student Service Commission of the American Lutheran Conference. The year has been rather unique. Many and varied problems have been experienced. The war has affected the ministry to students. Decreased enrollment, men leaving during semesters, confusion and unrest, and a lack of feeling of responsibility on the part of students has handicapped an intensified program.

In spite of these uncontrollable factors, the work of the Lutheran Student Association has been maintained throughout this year with regular Sunday meetings and varied social events. Our ministry through consultation and contacts has also been gratifying. The first semester had an enrollment of 430 National Lutheran Council students and the second semester 254. The establishment of army training units at the campus will increase the duties of the secretary and may entail a summer program.

Adjoining this report appears a budget covering our needs for the year 1943-44. May God continue to bless our ministry to the students of our Church.

For the Committee,
Alvin M. Peterson, Lutheran Student Secretary

THE FOLLOWING IS A STATEMENT OF OUR NEEDS FOR 1943-44

Estimated expenditures for 1943-44:

A.	Regular ministry to students		
	1. Salary (10 months at $30.00)	$	300.00
	2. Office expenses and miscellaneous		200.00
	Total	$	500.00
B.	Ministry to service men on campus		
	1. Salary (2 months at $30.00)	$	60.00
	2. Office expense and miscellaneous		40.00
	Total	$	100.00
	Grand Total	$	600.00

Note: The ministry to students has been carried on on a ten month's basis. The coming of trainees to the campus plus an accelerated summer schedule for regular students may necessitate (and likely will) a twelve month's program. Hence, the additional grant is requested this year.

The Nebraska Synod of the United Lutheran Church is asked to grant the sum of $100.00.

The tellers reported on the ballot for lay member of the Executive Committee. Mr. Don Thomas was declared elected.

The Report of the Committee on Conference Minutes was presented by Rev. M. B. Simon.

Your committee on minutes of conference has examined the minutes of the Western Conference and the South Platte Conference and have found that they have been faithful in promoting the Causes of the Kingdom, and that they have complied with the constitution of Synod.

The North Platte Conference minutes were not available so your committee can make no report regarding that conference.

There being no recommendations to Synod there is nothing further to report.

Respectfully submitted,
M. B. Simon, Chairman
Karl Gigstad
Thomas Lipps

The Report of the Committee on President's Report was presented by Rev. W. W. Alexander. The resolutions were adopted as corrected.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

North Platte, Nebraska
May 11, 1943

The report of the President presented by him to this 71st Convention of the Nebraska Synod has been reviewed by your Committee. The report reveals the work and service of the President for the past year. We cannot lay too much stress upon the needs of Synod relative to the Benevolent endeavours of the local congregations therefore we recommend the following items:

Only one correction. Rev. W. W. Alexander accepted call to St. Mark's, Omaha, October 15, 1942 instead of December 1, 1942.

1. That we acknowledge God's presence and guidance in all spiritual matters, and that we pray for His continual guidance in all things.
2. That we encourage the promising young men of our congregations to consider the Gospel Ministry as their life work.
3. That we show our interest and cooperation in the Lutheran Home Mission Council and its purpose as outlined in the President's report.
4. That the causes of the whole church be faithfully presented to all our congregations.
5. That we continue to increase our apportioned benevolence and reach the goal set before us.
6. That on the 23rd of May we present the emergency service of our beloved church "The Lutheran World Action" and urge our people to meet their quota.

Your committee recommends the adoption of these resolutions.

We ask your earnest cooperation and prayerful support with our President in his labors for the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Chairman
W. W. Alexander
H. F. Cordts
H. G. Wellensiek

The tellers reported on the first ballot for clerical member of the Tabitha Home Board of Trustees. Dr. L. H. Lesher was declared elected.

Mr. Wm. Tegtmeyer was nominated for lay member of the Tabitha Home Board of Trustees.

A motion carried that the nominations cease.

A motion carried that the rules be suspended and that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of

Synod for Mr. Wm. Tegtmeyer as lay member of the Tabitha Home Board of Trustees. It was so declared.

The Report of the Committee on Letters and Papers was presented by Rev. E. C. Mortensen.

COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS

No material has come to the attention of your committee which requires the action of the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
E. C. Mortensen, Chairman

A motion carried to consider items of unfinished business.

The Report of the Trustees of Midland College was continued by Rev. A. H. Pinkall. A motion carried to consider the recommendations seriatim. Recommendations 1, 2, 3, and 4 were adopted. A motion carried that recommendation 5 be eliminated from the report.

In harmony with the Report of the Midland College Board of Trustees the following Constitutional Amendment was submitted.

We propose the following Constitutional Amendment:

That the first sentence of Paragraph B, of Section2, of Article IX be amended to read as follows:

(B) The Trustees of Midland College shall be five in number, two clerical and two layman, who shall be elected for a term of two years, one clerical and one layman to retire annually, and the President of the Synod, ex-officio.

A. H. Pinkall
H. G. Wellensiek
W. A. Heuer
G. Keller Rubrecht
John B. Rupley, Sr.
C. B. Harman
W. C. Heidenreich

A motion carried that Synod hear the Report of the Tabitha Home Board of Trustees. The Report was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher.

REPORT OF TABITHA HOME FOR 1942

Tabitha Home enjoyed a good year in 1942. During the lean years following the loss of support from the U. L. C. A., it was difficult for the local, supporting Synods to make the readjustments quickly, but that has now been accomplished in a splendid manner. Of special encouragement is the response from certain western conferences in the Northwest Synod. Superintendent Ebright will visit this territory soon.

We rejoice to report that the year just closed saw the return of all money to the Building Fund, which had been borrowed, temporarily, by the General Fund; and that current expenses were met promptly each month with a balance remaining. The Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees meets each month and a splendid spirit of harmony, careful supervision and sane economy is the result. This group has shown its appreciation of the fine administration of Dr. Ebright as superintendent in a number of ways, and in February sent him to visit our institutions in the eastern states—which trip will prove helpful in the future plans of Tabitha Home.

The thousand baby chicks donated by a good friend of Tabitha, and their feed, furnished in large measure by another friend of the Home, necessitated some moving of chicken houses and minor repairs to accomodate this poultry population. The reconstruction of

the large garage and removal of an old building has improved the appearance of the grounds. We are proud of the new and commodious vegetable cellar, built according to government specifications at a modest cost. In October this cellar was crowded to the insulated ceiling with more than 3,000 cans of fruit and vegetables, and 750 bushels of potatoes, all generous gifts of provisions from many congregations. Savings from freezing and spoilage may pay for this new cellar this winter.

The "Helper" situation has been a problem at times, due to the allurement to more remunerative positions, but we are happy that so many of our workers have remained faithful and contented. Plans are under way to again secure a Deaconess who can render helpful service to these wards of the Church.

The "New Building" remains the most pressing need. The safety and comfort of our guests, economy of administration, as well as the need for more room, call loudly for this major improvement. The solicitation for funds will continue through this period when construction is impossible, and we sincerely hope that sufficient money will be on hand to begin building promptly. We desire to keep this urgent need before the constituency, so that funds will continue to flow in without interruption. Our aged family numbers 70 and our children 39. Every room in the Aged Department is now occupied and more folks are seeking entrance.

The Annual Auditor's Report shows on hand in the Building Fund, $21,450.00, and in the General Fund in Bonds, $12,676.00. The Board instructed the Executive Committee to transfer these General Fund Bonds to the Building Fund, making a total in the Building Fund of $34,126.00.

May the Father's blessing continue to rest upon Tabitha Home and those who so kindly remember her needs with their prayers and their gifts.

Respectfully submitted,
Ralph W. Livers,
President of the Board of Trustees

TABITHA HOME FINANCIAL SUMMARY—1942

General Fund

Income Receipts:		
Operations	$21,099.35	
Synodical Apportionments	5,576.31	
Voluntary Contributions	12,115.58	
Community Chest	2,800.00	
Total Income		$41,591.24
Expenditures:		
Administration	$13,945.07	
Plant Operation	7,128.68	
Service and Relief	6,990.74	
Repayment on Building Fund Loan	7,430.14	
Total Expenditures		$35,494.63
Excess of Income Receipts over Expenditures		$ 6,096.61

Note: Many voluntary contributions are undesignated as to which fund the donor desires them to be given. Such are put into the General Fund when received. The Board authorized the Executive Committee to transfer such funds from General Fund to the Building Fund from time to time as it may deem it wise.

Building Fund

Treasurer's report shows the Building Fund, December 31, 1942	$21,450.34
The Board authorized the Executive Committee to transfer Bonds amounting to (purchase price)	12,676.05
Making a total of	$34,126.39

(Now in the Building Fund)

The Report of the Committee on Claims was presented by Rev. J. S. Rhine. The recommendations were considered seriatim. Recommendations 1, 2, and 3 were adopted.

REPORT OF CLAIMS COMMITTEE

The committee on claims has three recommendations:

I. That the following claims be paid:

C. H. Berhenke (postage and mimeographing)	$ 4.38
G. K. Rubrecht (expense to Regional Conf. of Am. Missions)	9.00
G. K. Rubrecht (telegram to Iowa Synod)	1.50
John B. Rupley, Sr. (Stewardship Comm. postage)	2.75
H. C. Cordts (Examining Committee travel expense)	5.85
Wallace Livers (Examining Committee travel expense)	5.52
A. H. Pinkall (Examining Committee travel expense)	3.00
W. W. Alexander (Examining Committee travel expense)	1.50

II. That the Statistician be given a remuneration of $50.00 for his services.

III. That in the future members of committees be allowed four cents per mile when they drive their car to committee meetings.

Respectfully submitted,
John S. Rhine, Chairman
Alfred Mendenhall
E. T. Tramp

The Report of the Committee on Leave of Absence was presented by Rev. F. L. Cress.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Your committee recommends the following persons excused:

1. P. W. H. Frederick, from all sessions.
2. T. D. Rinde, from all sessions.
3. G. N. Mendenhall, from all sessions.
4. Maurice Warner, lay-delegate of Zion, Benedict, from all sessions.
5. Alvin Larsen, lay-delegate of Emmanuel, Hampton, from all sessions.
6. G. E. Mortensen, from all sessions.
7. O. D. Baltzly, from all sessions.
8. W. W. Metz, Sr., lay-delegate of First, Nebraska City, from all sessions.
9. Ed. Dechert, lay-delegate of First, Rising City, from all sessions.
10. G. E. Moeller, from all sessions.
11. S. E. Frederick, from all sessions.
12. G. H. Hartwig, from all sessions.
13. Jacob Nitz, lay-delegate of St. John's, Leigh, from all sessions.
14. F. C. Wiegman, from all sessions.
15. Jerome Kohl, lay-delegate of St. Paul's, Hardy, from all sessions, after Tuesday.
16. Clarence J. Hansen, from all sessions after Tuesday.
17. W. W. Alexander, from all sessions after Wednesday noon.
18. Clarence Larson, lay-delegate of First, Allen, from all sessions.
19. P. H. Katt, lay-delegate of St. John's, Vacoma, from all sessions.
20. Charles H. Puls, lay-delegate of St. Mark's, Omaha, from all sessions.
21. Paul Fry, lay-delegate of First, Omaha, from all sessions.
22. John Wollmer, lay-delegate of Grace, Hooper, from sessions Tuesday morning.
23. Paul de Freese, from sessions Tuesday morning.
24. Arthur Johansen, lay-delegate of First, South Sioux City, from all sessions Wednesday afternoon.
25. W. T. Kahse, from all sessions.
26. W. G. Leamer, lay-delegate of Salem, Dakota City, from all

sessions Wednesday afternoon.
27. H. Joens, from all sessions Wednesday afternoon.
28. W. H. Traub, from all sessions.
29. C. J. Naugle, from all sessions.
30. E. N. Haugse, from all sessions.
31. Ed. Dorner, from all sessions.
32. W. M. Daubenspeck, from all sessions.
33. P. A. Magalee, from all sessions.
34. H. Frerichs, lay-delegate of Grace, Omaha, from all sessions.
35. E. F. Rohlfing, from all sessions.
36. W. H. Saas, from all sessions.
37. E. G. Wood, from all sessions.

Respectfully submitted, Paul Wiegman, Chairman
Foster L. Cress

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher. The Resolutions were adopted.

Your Committee respectfully presents the following resolutions:

1. That Synod acknowledge with profound gratitude the many blessings so generously bestowed upon our people and congregations by our Heavenly Father.

2. That Synod express its gratitude to Rev. E. Eppling Reinartz, D.D., Promotional Secretary of the United Lutheran Church in America and official representative to Synod from the U. L. C. A. for his inspiring message at the Synodical Brotherhood Banquet, and for his informing and helpful address and counsel to Synod.

3. That Synod express its gratitude to Pastor H. M. Henriksen for his messages as Synodical Chaplain.

4. That Synod express its sincere appreciation to the Women's Missionary Society the Brotherhood, and the Luther League organizations of our Synod for their effective work in the kingdom.

5. That we commend the President and faculty of Midland College, the Dean and faculty of Western Seminary, the Sup't and staff of Tabitha Home for their loyal devotion to their tasks during these difficult times and pledge them our continued support.

6. That we remember the Rev. E. F. Rohlfing, a member of this Synod in our prayers as he labors in the field in British Guiana, and that it soon will be possible for Mrs. Rohlfing to join him in that work.

7. That we recognize the 25th anniversary of President J. C. Hershey and Pastor W. A. Klink in the holy ministry and thank God for their years of devoted service.

8. That Synod express its great indebtedness to Pastor and Mrs. G. K. Rubrecht and the congregation of First Church, North Platte, for their able care and entertainment; for the delightful music of the choirs; for the fine meals and banquet served by the ladies of the church as well as the many other courtesies extended us and that this resolution be read in the presence of the congregation at public worship.

9. That $5.00 be allowed for janitor services so cheerfully given during the sessions of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
Leland H. Lesher W. A. Klink A. J. Manser

The Report of the Committee on Protocol was presented by Rev. V. Baird.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PROTOCOL

The Protocol Committee performed its boring task of diligently comparing the Protocol with the printed minutes of the Seventieth Convention of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska. The customary errors in orthography and typography were noted in the

Protocol. Minor discrepancies between the Protocol and the printed minutes were numerous, but only two items seem important enough to be reported. The name of the Rev. Wm. C. Stump of St. Mark's, Omaha, appeared in the Protocol but not in the printed minutes. And the date of the ordination of the Rev. G. H. Hartwig was omitted from the Protocol.

Respectfully submitted, H. Vance Baird
Karl Gigstad

The session adjourned. Prayer was offered by Dr. C. B. Harman.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON 1 P.M.

The Devotional Service was conducted by Rev. H. Henriksen, Chaplain of Synod.

The Synodical Budget as recommended by the Executive Committee was presented. A motion was offered for its adoption. An amendment to change the item for Midland College from Section 1 Fixed Items, to Section 2 The Apportionment, was defeated. The motion to adopt the Budget as presented by the Executive Committee was carried.

Dr. G. K. Rubrecht gave an oral report on the activity of the Home Missions Council of the National Lutheran Council.

A motion carried that the final reading of the minutes be left for approval by the Executive Committee.

A motion carried that any unfinished business be left to the decision of the Executive Committee.

A motion carried that Rev. Ed Rohlfing be excused from attendance at Synod and that he be indicated on the Roll of Synod as a Foreign Missionary; also, that members of Synod serving as Chaplains be excused.

A motion carried that the printing of the Minutes of Synod be referred to the Executive Committee with power to act.

The following officers were installed by the President:

Vice President, Dr. C. B. Harman
Secretary, Rev. T. J. C. Schuldt
Statistician, Rev. R. V. Davis
Historian, Dr. G. K. Rubrecht

Dr. J. C. Hershey was installed as President of Synod by the Secretary.

The Formal Order for the Closing of Synod was conducted by President Hershey at 2:25 p.m.

These Minutes are certified to be the correct record of the proceedings of the 71st Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, convening May 10 - 12, 1943 in First Lutheran Church, North Platte, Nebraska, the Rev. Dr. G. K. Rubrecht, Pastor.

J. C. Hershey, President
T. J. C. Schuldt, Secretary

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PAROCHIAL REPORT OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Index Number	PASTORAL CHARGE (City or Town)	CONGREGATION	When Organized	ADDRESS or Geographical Location	PASTOR	Language Used in Chief Service	MEMBERSHIP																											
										Child Members									Adult Members													G.-L.	
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1	Allen	First	1912	State Highway No. 9	Cress, F. L.	Eng.	277	226	98	7	5	12	5			5	7			6	7		13	6			6	7		14	
2	Auburn	St. Paul's	1884	21st and O Sts.	Henkel, F. W.	"	623	401	313	17	4	21	1			1	20		2	13	4		19	4			4	15		35	
3	Beatrice	Trinity	1883	9th and Elk Sts.	Vacant	"	297	223	110	3		3					3		3	3	1	1	8	7	1		8			3	
4	Benedict	Zion	1881	Benedict	Gigstad, Karl	"	300	206	105	9		9					9		2	3			5	1	11		12		7	2	
5	Broadwater	United	1934	Broadwater	Vacant	"	286	196	121	7	5	12	6		1	7	5		7	6	10		23		1	2	3	20		25	
6	Columbus	United	1930	Columbus	Vacant	"	197	138	62	3		3	6			6		3		7	11		18	2	4		6	12		9	
7	Dakota City	Emmanuel	1858	Dakota City	Vacant	"	25	23	7																									
8	Dakota City	Salem	1872	Three miles west of Dakota City	Joens, H.	"	327	226	116	6		6	1			1	5		4	1	2	1	8	5			5	3		8	
9	Dalton	Trinity	1930	Dalton	Rhine, J. S.	"	171	122	108	8	6	14	5			5	9		1	6	2		9		3	13	16		7	2	
10	Davenport	Christ's	1892	Davenport	Dumler, H.	"	563	323	204	15		15	1	3		4	9		3	1	5		9		3		3	6		15	
11	Eagle	Trinity	1893	Eagle	Mendenhall, A. L.	"	92	70	45	5	2	7	3			3	4		3	4	1		8		5		5	3		7	
12	Emerson	St. Luke's	1911	Emerson	Pfeiffer, R. R.	"	752	446	186	13	6	19			9	9	10		3	23	8		34	1		1	2	32		42	
13	Ericson	First	1898	Ericson	Vacant	"	47	27	16	2		2			2	2	2							1			1		1	1	
14	Falls City	St. Paul's	1913	Falls City	Cordts, H. C.	E. & G.	888	638	551	18	5	23	8			8	15		2	8	10		20	5	3		8	12		27	
15	Fremont	Salem	1902	East Military Ave. and C St.	Frank, A. O.	Eng.	817	571	469	29		29	12		3	15	14		6	26	39		71	11	9	304	224		153		139
16	Grand Island	St. Paul's	1882	503 West 2nd St.	Rupley, J. B.	"	2308	1528	952	47	6	53	19		5	24	29		23	39	19	28	109	7	24	2	33	76		105	
17	Gurley	Grace	1916	Gurley	Rhine, J. S.	"	194	122	115	9		9			9	9				3			3			10	10		7		7
18	Hampton	Emmanuel	1916	Hampton	Gigstad, Karl	"	133	104	60	2		2	5		3	8		6		5			5	2	2		4	1			5
19	Hardy	St. Paul's	1881	Hardy	Vacant	"	146	96	72																									
20	Hildreth	St. Paul's	1927	Hildreth	Vacant	"	232	196	83	4		4	7		4	11		7		7			7	1	2		3	4			3
21	Homer	St. Paul's	1886	Homer	Frederick, S. E.	"	366	308	172	29	2	31	16			16	15		10	17	8		35	4			4	31		46	
22	Hooper	Grace	1915	Hooper	de Freese, Paul	"	477	343	201	18		18	8			8	10		1	8	8	1	18	3	5		8	10		20	
23	Hubbard	Trinity	1905	Hubbard	Frederick, S. E.	"	205	164	60	6	3	9	2			2	7		2	2	7		11					11		18	
24	Leigh	St. John's	1918	Leigh	Vacant	E. & G.	371	228	166																									
25	Lewellen	Grace	1906	Lewellen	Heidenreich, W. C.	Eng.	215	109	60	12		12	5			5	7		5	4	6		15		1		1	14		21	
26	Lincoln	Grace	1890	14th and F Sts.	Lesher, L. H.	"	906	770	501	24	8	32	14		6	20	12		4	24	41		69	7	24	20	51	18		30	
27	McCool Junction	First	1900	McCool Junction	Rupley, J. B. Jr.	"	241	170	81						1	1		1	1				2	2			4		2		3
28	Nebraska City	First	1866	3rd Corso and 9th St.	Schuldt, T. J. C.	"	340	225	161	4		4	4		6	10		6	4	7		12	23	7		58	65		42		48
29	North Platte	First	1880	5th and Sycamore	Rubrecht, G. K.	"	1319	996	477	26	11	37	21	2	3	26	11		2	24	11	35	72	8	5		13	50		70	
30	Omaha	First	1907	2547 North 62nd St.	Berhenke, C. H.	"	770	535	302	20		20	6	1	110	117		97	5	30	10	10	55	1	14	23	38	17			80
31	Omaha	Grace	1889	1326 South 26th St.	Goede, H. J.	"	331	217	170	28	20	48	8	1	1	10	38		7	14	19		40	2	3		5	35		73	
32	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1858	2606 Farnam St.	Taub, W. H.	"	6441	4758	2196	80	60	140	75	5	96	176		36	27	95	58	45	217	40	70	200	310		93		129
33	Omaha	Luther Memorial	1936	53rd and Seward Sts.	Vacant	"	139	103	58	8	6	14	3		5	8	6		1	2	13	1	17	1	2	6	9	8		14	
34	Omaha	Redeemer	1917	24th and Larimore Sts.	Gieschen, G.	"	1239	879	383	8	1	9			2	2	7				5		5	5	23		28		22		16
35	Omaha	St. Luke's	1905	24th and I Sts.	Pinkall, A. H.	"	1205	823	542	37	7	44	21	1	10	32	12		14	28	7	6	55	7	17	15	39	16		28	
36	Omaha	St. Mark's	1886	20th and Burdette Sts.	Alexander, W. W.	"	497	286	135	25		25	6			6	19		4	13	2	11	30		3		3	27		46	
37	Oshkosh	St. Mark's	1906	Oshkosh	Heidenreich, W. C.	"	291	172	48	13		13	3			3	10		6	3	1		10		1		1	9		19	
38	Paxton	Trinity	1902	Paxton	Mortensen, E. C.	"	398	288	105	3		3					3				2		2	2	1		3		1	2	
39	Ponca	Salem	1866	Ponca	Livers, W. S.	"	545	397	218	17	5	22	8		3	11	11			16	2	17	35	1	12	2	15	20		31	
40	Potter	First	1892	Potter, Nebr.	Vacant	"	172	55	25	5		5					5				5		5	1			1	4		9	
41	Rising City	First	1881	Rising City, Nebr.	Stricker, M.	"	307	224	204	12	3	15	4		4	8	7			6	3		9	3	10		13		4	3	
42	Scribner	United	1935	Scribner, Nebr.	Baird, H. V.	"	351	239	160	4	1	5					5				10		10	1			1	9		14	
43	Sidney	Trinity	1886	10th Ave. and Lincoln St.	Davis, R. V.	"	423	207	170	12	4	16	5	1	2	8	8		3	14	10		27	2	2	4	8	19		27	
44	Snyder	Immanuel	1899	Snyder, Nebr.	Kahse, W. T.	"	115	82	55	1		1					1													1	
45	South Sioux City	First	1920	21st and A Sts., South Sioux City	Davis, R. V.	"	848	492	255	13	6	19	3		1	4	15		4	5	9	9	27	3	6		9	18		33	
46	Spencer	United	1930	Spencer, Nebr.	Hausge, E. N.	"	287	164	86	8		8	6	1		7	1		2	6	6		14	1	1		2	12		13	
47	Stamford	Trinity	1888	Stamford, Nebr.	Simon, M. B.	"	251	199	143	7		7					7		1	4		2	7	3			3	4		11	
48	Stella	Trinity	1884	Stella, Nebr.	Vacant	"	58	37	21	2		2					2									4	4		4		2
49	Sutherland	Grace	1902	Sutherland, Nebr.	Miller, J. C.	"	86	46	16	2		2					2									2	2		2		
50	Tekamah	Emmanuel	1858	12th and L Sts., Tekamah, Nebr.	Mortensen, E. C.	"	219	93	91	2	10	12	1			1	11			11	14		25	1	1		2	23		34	
51	Vacoma	St. John's	1893	11 miles east of Hooper	Wiegman, P.	"	106	77	59	3		3					3							2			2		2	1	
52	Verdon	St. Mark's	1883	3¼ miles southwest Verdon	Wiegman, P.	"	269	202	121	7		7	7		2	9		2		7	4		11	1	4		5	6		4	
53	Walton	Grace	1916	Walton, Nebr.	Miller, J. C.	"	208	178	98	1	2	3	7			7		4	4	8	7	7	26	1	1		2	24		20	
54	Wayne	St. Paul's	1881	Wayne, Nebr.	Mendenhall, A. L.	"	659	477	298	11	3	14	17			17		3	3	20	9	4	36	5	2		7	29		36	
55	West Point	Grace	1874	West Point, Nebr.	Henricksen, H. M.	"	549	347	339	15	10	25					25			15	12		28	10	7	4	21	7		32	
56	Wilber	First	1889	Wilber, Nebr.	Klink, W. A.	"	313	168	77	5		5					5			8			8	1			1	7		12	
57	Wolbach	Trinity	1903	Wolbach, Nebr.	Vacant	"	326	219	132	9		9	5		5	10		1	2	11			13	1	4		5	8		7	
58	York	First	1927	8th St. and Grant Ave., York Nebr.	Harman, C. B. (Supply)	"	304	200	94	3	1	4					4		2		8	4	14	3			3	11		15	
					Rupley, J. B. Jr.	"																												
						Total 1941	30216	21065	12417	684	202	886	334	15	293	642	410	166	174	564	408	194	1340	182	289	570	1041	647	348	975	432
						Total 1942	30759	21364	12273	715	178	893	441	29	432	902	318	327	188	640	280	171	1279	175	265	791	1141	665	427	917	688

POPULATIONS

- ⊙ Over 100,000
- ⊛ 25,000 to 100,000
- ⊗ 10,000 to 25,000
- ◉ 2,500 to 10,000
- ● 500 to 2,500
- ○ Under 500

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EDUCATION

Parish

Sunday Schools

Index Number	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Cradle Roll
1	1	15	180	20	20
2	1	25	199	5	45
3	1	15	70		12
4	1	21	82	3	7
5	1	12	81		14
6	1	7	53		
7					
8	1	18	84		14
9	1	7	41		16
10	1	36	160	3	24
11	1	6	40		
12	1	26	194		29
13					
14	1	24	233		
		35	350	15	20
			391		
			122	10	25
			44		7
			75		4
			48		8
			65		30
			96		16
			30		
			78		12
			57		
			280		33
			40		5
			84		23
			339	10	60
			230		48
			130		26
		117	988		
		11	56		10
		31	280		22
		27	300		40
		22	118		
		9	55		
		12	70		
		11	68		18
		3	20		
		13	98		26
		14	75		12
		12	130		
		2	12		
		19	176		30
		1	50		6
	1	24	96	15	10
	1	3	20		
	1	14	70		
	1	2	43		1
	1	12	144		
	1	11	70		
	1	15	103		21
	1	21	297		44
	1	16	80		22
	1	11	67		
	1	7	47		10
	58	981	7244	81	779
	90	1100	8340	74	1047

Weekday Schools

Number	Teachers	Pupils
1	6	120
1	2	12
1	6	93
1	6	23
1	10	57
1	4	32
1	3	23
1	12	77
1	4	35
1	8	138
1	15	90
1	2	15
1	12	72
1	11	77
1	4	32
1	1	86
1	3	35
1	4	28

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